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A LAY OF THE LINKS.

It's up and away for the morning's play,
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And it's hey! for a game where the grass is the same
As it was when the world was down!

And it's hey! for a game where the grass is the same
With the merest touch to tread on like
Of the song of the lark in the white
Where the links and the green, white trees
Are [illegible]
Now will you be over in?"

He did not stay even and will teach him to know
A tee where no tee was ever dark
The man or may come, and we'll promise to allow
Some [illegible]
That is what the birds are singing
And [illegible]
And it's glad to [illegible]
And the song of the lark in the white
And the joy [illegible]
Why [illegible]
And it's hey! for a game where the grass is the same
And the joy that lights a song in every mind
Was it compared with the joy of the land

[illegible]
A green grass [illegible]
[illegible]
Was it compared with the joy of the land

"If [illegible] was sometimes on the infrequent [illegible] asks permission to write up for The Cross an [illegible] of a column of praise to the magnificent talent of our accomplished fellow citizen, meanin typo. I comes in for me [illegible] as share I'll bet typo have a couple of that paper with him yet.

"We has men y to fight [illegible] in the days that follows We is asked to join the church, which we does, not that I was partic'larly interested in such goings on, but typo was a friend of his, mister a, so we joins. Typo starts all sorts of wrinkles a-goin. He isn't such a favorite with the main folks on account of his kindly ways perhaps, but he sets the woman folks almost wild. He gets up debatin an literary circles, an every one gal thinks she ought to give readins in costume.

"Those were darn days in Shattagoa. Finally one night, to cap the climax, as the feller says, after a burst of applause for an oration on 'Home Culture an Home Philanthropy,' typo, as a member of the congregation moves, an it was carried by a storm of applause, that the ministers salary be raised from $400 to $800 yearly Typo was first table, an while the most folks had been dead sure on any such idee for years past the wrinkin ways of me pal carmen them every momentarily—the old girls especially

"We you inside ter congratulate the minister an he is deeple thankful ter us both But he sees, an typo sees, that it would be dangerous for us ter remain in town when the wheels on a ter their cart, an they sees how they has been [illegible] as it were, so we leaves town for the midnight express goin east. I never has been near that town some

"Typo? Oh he is out Chicway, I believe. I was readin a 'Chi' paper the yer of the fair an I sees a half column account of a lecture on Shakspeare delivered before Mrs. Potter Palmer an the cream of the society ladies of the literary exhibit at the Columbian exposition. I will bet typo is there in the same manner, only he has some new wrinkles [illegible] me.

"His name was [illegible]—but that's another story as the feller says."
—W. H. Fenny in Boston Herald.

The Northern Fur Companies

Latterly all the employees of the Hudson Bay company were caught young, only lads born in the solitudes of the wildlands could habituate themselves to the life of loneliness, only certain types of men hardened under military conditions could endure so strong and so a strain.

It must be remembered that the first adventurers consisted chiefly of English and Scottish [illegible] the Scottish invasion of England had set in with the accession of King James. But it is certain that afterward both with the Hudson Bay company and its great Canadian rival, the names of factors, traders and prominent partisans, with scarcely an exception were Scottish.

The story of trade and discovery in the Arctic lands reads like a muster roll of the clans and people of the northern and of the second order. There are MacTavishes, MacGillivrays, McKays, McLellans, McDougalls, with Frasers at Edmonton and the French Frobishers. A Mackenzie a Fraser and a Thompson gave their names to as many mighty rivers. Fur came in the natural course of things. The company found its best recruiting grounds in the Highlands and enlisted the martial spirit of the mountaineers for a country where local feuds were forgotten.—Blackwood's Magazine.

Brazes.

The chronicles of 1476 speak of 160 vessels in its haunts of the German merchants carrying away over 2 000 pieces of cloth to the distant lands of Russia and Poland It was the exchange of furs [illegible] in the fourteenth century [illegible] and 150 000 inhabitants, and in these towns as many as it were [illegible] Amongst its wares we read of leather from Spain, wool from England, silk from Italy and Persia, linen and [illegible] from Holland, hemp and flax from [illegible], wines from Portugal, Greece and France, and hardware from Germany and [illegible] including every variety of [illegible], lead, iron, silver and gold. It had its factories, its carriers, its dyers, its [illegible] on considerably extensive lines of talent. But at the commencement of the fourteenth century its troubles began—troubles from within and from without.

The Hansa was rendered useless by the [illegible] of sand as far as Lübeck [illegible] treachery, slaughter and political jealousies and rivalries completed the [illegible] and in 1741 its [illegible] had dwindled to 7,000. Then came the religious wars and persecutions from 1567 to 1572, the fatal ban of the Queen despotic whist remained, leaving little for the Hansa revolutionists.—Good Words.

The Swiss Parliament.

Switzerland differs from other countries in many things, and one of the most remarkable is the way in which its parliamentary debates are conducted. Each member of parliament can express himself in French, German or Italian, and the privilege is freely used. The vice president of the federal assembly speaks in German, his remarks are translated by a secretary in close proximity to him. All the laws and [illegible] being voted upon, are [illegible] in French, German and Italian, every official report is published in these three languages.—Birmingham Post.

A man who is overheard in his house complaining that he pretty soon to learn the language of time that the world is [illegible] evidently [illegible] against him.—Louisville Journal.

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SOMETIME.

Out of today's mad struggle and distress,
Out of its aches and dull weariness,
Hope sweetly rises with a patient grace
Strange to the fury of life's grinding pace
And, pointing o'er the hills where Sometime lives,
A transcendent promise of her pleasure tells.

And we who drag our yoke o'er heavy roads
Cause in the shadow of more crushing loads,
Pause when the lash is still and lift our eyes
To pictures hung against the distant skies.
There we forget the sorrows of this clime
In the glad gardens of that fair Sometime.

Tomorrow is today again renewed,
With added penalties and servitude,
And small or chance to dream of Sometime's peace,
Whose waiting weariness will find release.
Yet faith is stronger than our galling cares,
And so we wait but, oh, the waiting wears!
—George E. Bowen in Chicago News.

THE ROOT.

"I think, my dear," said Cheedle, "I shall begin by observing that money is said to be the root of all evil."

"But do you think she will like that, Josie?" asked his wife.

"And continued Cheedle sternly, "that will be her chance to disprove it statement."

"I hope she won't think we want any of her money."

"We don't want it."

"We do If we didn't it wouldn't matter."

"My dear, you must really allow me to speak for myself sometimes. I don't want any of Aunt Jane's money."

"Then there will be all the more for me."

"If she sends any"—

"She is bound to!"

"If she sends any, I shall of course expect to have a voice in the matter of its administration."

"If your voice is going to be as big as your words, I can see that the money might just as well not come, as far as I'm concerned."

"My dear, you really must not be petty."

"I'm not petty, and I shall be as petty as I like."

"Really Nell, you surprise me sometimes."

"You are always a surprise."

"You almost spoke as if I were an unpleasant surprise."

"Surprises are too sudden to be pleasant."

"How a thing that is permanent can be sudden also."

"Now I know what you are going to do," she said "You are going to make me cry."

"My dear"—

"Yes, you are You know arguing always makes me cry And it's very cruel of you If I could argue back"—

"You can cry"

"I suppose you want me to!"

"God forbid!"

"Don't be wicked!"

"Don't suppose."

Mrs. Cheedle dropped into a chair "And to think that before we have been married three months I should be forbidden to suppose."

"Now, really, my dear," said Cheedle, "don't you think you are a little unreasonable?"

"Don't you think you are unreasonable to expect me to answer that?"

"Of course. I don't expect you to answer it. I was merely"—

"Then why ask the question? It makes you more unreasonable still.' Cheedle laughed. "Now you are laughing at me."

"Really, my dear, I think the laugh was on your side that time."

She smiled "How nice you are when you don't argue, Josie!"

"But about this money," said he. "In the improbable contingency of Aunt Jane mistaking the intention of my letter"—

"Don't make it too improbable, Josie, you know If you don't want the money, I do. I wonder how much she will send!"

"You have no right to expect anything. I don't expect anything."

"Oh!"

"I don't."

"Oh!"

"It wouldn't be more than £25 any way."

"If she has the insolence to send me anything less than £100 after the shameful way poor dear grandfather has been hared to us, I—I shall—I shall"—

"Spend it, I expect."

"I expect so too No, I won't. I'll waste it."

"That would be silly."

"It would be jolly."

"You would be very sorry afterward."

"Of course!"

"Really, my dear"—

"All nice things make you sorry afterward. It's worth it."

"From what you say I gather"—

"Oh, don't gather, Josie! It sounds so dreadfully formal and proper. I feel as if I oughtn't to be alone with you when you gather."

"I 'understand,' then is that better?"

"Not much. But go on."

"I understand that you have a system of wasting money Will you explain it?"

"It isn't a system at all."

"What is it, then?"

"It just isn't a system. I just let the money go, you know, and get nothing for it."

"And you find that—jolly?"

"Jolliest fun in the world."

"Well, I should be very sorry to have to assert any—eh—marital authority."

"Yes, you would be very sorry," said she.

"I should be very sorry to have to do it. But I really could not permit you to squander"—

"My aunt's money."

Cheedle frowned. "You forget," said he, "that I am your husband."

"No," said she; "you make that impossible."

"When I married you"—

"You'd not marry my aunt."

"Thank God—I beg your pardon—of course not."

"You are very horrid and disrespectful today I don't think I shall listen to you."

"I can reassure you; you haven't."

"Do you mean to say, Josie, that you haven't been talking all the time?"

"Of course I do!"

"You can say that, calmly standing there"

"Or frantically sitting, if it is possible to sit frantically."

Mrs Cheedle sighed. "I feel almost sorry you are being funny," she said.

Cheedle was hurt. "Once you were proud of my sense of humor," he remarked, "or you said you were."

"I tell you what we'd do!" cried Mrs. Cheedle, with sudden animation. "We'd go to Paris."

"When? Why? How?"

"As soon as we got it—one. Because we could waste it better there than any where else—two. With it—three."

"You speak of the money that isn't coming from Aunt Jane?"

"If it isn't coming, may I have it?"

"How can you?"

"Never mind. You're so positive. May I? All to myself?"

"Well, I am disappointed in you. I thought when I married you—no, I didn't think enough."

She rose—one yard and a half of rigid scornful femininity

"Do you regret our marriage, sir?"

"No, no. Of course not."

"I desire you to explain, then, Mr Cheedle—oh, bother the beastly money! I wish it wasn't coming."

"Perhaps it isn't."

"Don't be such a wet blanket, Josie."

"Why, you just said"—

"I don't care what I said! I hate you! Oh, Josie, and I was going to buy you such a lovely new chain!"

She wept aloud

"Look here, Nell," said Cheedle, some minutes later "I won't write to Aunt Jane at all."

"That will be best," said she.

"I might only go and put my foot in it. I know I'm not a very great favorite of hers."

"And, really, my dear boy, that bit about the root of all evil wouldn't have done at all"

"No!"

"No. Now I shall just pay"—

"You!"

"Of course."

"I could not think of letting you"—

"But somebody must write to her"

"I don't see the necessity"

Mrs. Cheedle rose slowly as she withdrew from him.

"And you would let"—

She stopped on seeing the servant enter with a letter

"For you, sir."

Cheedle broke it open

"Who is it from, Josie?"

"Aunt Jane."

"Oh, what does she say?"

"She's donated £50 in our joint names (yours and mine, Nell) to the Society For the Beatification of St. Matthew's Little Ditch!"

"It's a judgment on you for quarreling with me!" said Mrs. Cheedle Black and White.

AUTHORS' MANUSCRIPTS.

Not Necessary For Editors to Read Them From Beginning to End.

Once more the tale goes round of the author who sent a story to three journals and had it returned by every one without having been read. He knew it because he had pasted two of the leaves together. Very likely. We do not think of reading through a half or a quarter of the articles that are sent to us. It often does not take half a minute to discard what one knows he doesn't want. It is an old saying that one does not need to eat a whole joint to learn whether it is tainted.

It would be a revelation to some of these writers to see how fast an experienced and conscientious editor can, at times, go through a big pile of essays, stories or poems. The title is often enough, and he would say, "We don't want an article on that subject." The next article begins with a page or two of commonplace introduction, and that is thrown aside in half a minute's inspection without turning more than the next page. The next begins with a platitude—"We can't print that stuff." The first verse of this next poem has false meter and is tossed aside. The next begins in schoolgirl style, with "dove" and "love," it is not read through. Of the next the editor reads ten lines. It is simply a dull description of a stream in a forest—not wanted. The next poem begins in a fresh way, seems to be constructed according to the rules, is pretty good. It is put one side to see if other better poems will crowd it out. The next is a story The first page is promising, but the second shows a coarse strain, and the reading stops there.

Ten articles are decided upon, and with sufficient good judgment, in ten minutes, for a minute to a manuscript is often twice as much time as it needs It does not take that long for a dealer to stick an iron skewer in a smoked ham, draw it out and smell of it. Not one article in a dozen perhaps needs to be read through.—New York Independent.

INSECTS AS HOODOOS.

They Keep Settlers Away From Many Parts of the World.

Nothing could more strikingly illustrate the importance of small things than the large role which is now attributed to the mosquito in the etiology of, some of the most serious and widespread diseases to which the human race is subject. It is truly said that what prevents the successful colonization of many tropical countries and what throws the greatest obstacle in the way of civilization of and good government in vast regions of central Africa is not climate, not distance from home and not unfriendliness on the part of the natives. The obstacle is malaria, and now we find that the prevalence of malaria, so far as man is concerned, depends on the mosquito, and that this pestilent little insect, in addition to irritating and annoying, is the means by which the poison of malaria is propagated and distributed.

For years back botanists have known the important part played by birds in the scattering of seed and of insects in the distribution of the pollen of plants, and it seems not unlikely that pathologists will have to recognize in a much larger degree than has till lately been done the large part taken by the subordinate forms of life by which we are surrounded—our cattle, our horses, our dogs and cats, our flies, our mosquitoes, and perhaps even our fleas—in distributing disease from man to man, and, as is stated in regard to the mosquito and malaria, in deciding whether the extension of our empire over great areas of the globe's surface shall be possible or not.—Hospital.

Punctuation.

What a great difference in the meaning of a sentence a misplaced comma can make! Take the following, for example:

"James, my husband is a very sick man."

"James, my husband, is a very sick man."

The following bit of perverse punctuation was perpetrated by an English compositor. What the author meant to say can be ascribed by a rearrangement of the punctuation marks:

"Cæsar entered on his head; his helmet on his feet; armed sandals upon his brow; there was a cloud in his right hand; his faithful sword in his eye; an angry glare saying nothing, he sat down."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Guy Fawkes' Lantern.

It has been settled beyond a doubt that the identical lamp which Guy Fawkes carried in poking about in the cellar of the houses of parliament, when he intended to blow them up, is now in existence. This lantern is in the Ashmolean museum at Cambridge. Guy Fawkes was carrying this lantern when he was arrested. The history of the lantern has now been fully established and it must take its place among the most celebrated exhibits in the museums of the world.—London Mail.

Upon an average 10,000 pineapples are imported into London every week throughout the year.

IN THE PLACE CARROUSEL.

Proud arch, upreared to him of moulded steel!
Thou clarion voice of Austerlitz's story!
Upon like the sudden and the bright sunburst
That poured its splendor on his triumph gory—

On the red field—the fight—his foes dispersed—
Thou and the hats upon thy marble revered.
Double the heart. Till time himself grows hoary
Here shall man's soul in wonderment immersed

Thrill at the record of his quick winged glory
About thee circle palaces—the fane
Of his Commercial line, and yonder looming
A nobler arch, but beside him thou to vain,

For, hark! the guns of Waterloo are booming
And on Sedan thy fabled blare stains again,
(After the conqueror's crown the empire's chain!)
These are thy Nemesis—and disgrace thee damning
Thy stones to freat you shaft of shame, where rain
A people's tears to mock at thine assuming
—T. W. in Quarrier Lamb.

ROUND A HAT.

This particular play was a great and popular success, and this particular night the theater was crowded. Every seat in every part of the house was occupied—every seat, that is, but one, and that one in the pit. This was all the more remarkable as this seat looked a good seat—well up forward, nearly in the center, quite as advantageous, as pit people are wont to hypocrine, as ten and sixpence wasted on a stall. And yet the seat was, all the same, undeniably vacant.

It was not being "kept" either The young man on the other side of it already had his young lady with him I, on this side, did not have a young lady at all, and did not expect one, either That seat was neither reserved nor taken. There was a mystery about it—a mystery I was acquainted with, a mystery you will get to know, too if you have the courage to go on

You may be curious why I did not move up into this excellently good seat. There is another mystery in the matter, and, just as in the case where two negatives, we are erroneously assured, constitute a positive affirmative, so these two mysteries, being explained, annul one another As a matter of fact I had moved into that seat on entering and then had hastily moved back again, while I had the chance, for immediately in front was a stylish young lady—what is generally catalogued a smart girl—young good looking, very nice, in the height of fashion, and—need I say it—with a hat.

There you have it—not the hat, which is probably in the same possession unless, of course, the fashions have again changed, as is to be expected, considering the incident took place nearly a week ago—not the hat, but the elucidation, for the luckless individual who paid to come in and took up his station, sitting down, behind that hat would have absolutely no return for his money but a gratuitous and highly exasperating view of ribbons and dead birds that Regent street glorifies into a "creation."

We knew, you know We had tried it, I the first and the quickest and then the other men who, wandering in late and thanking their lucky stars for their great, good fortune, bounced into that seat with a wide smile on their faces, remained perplexed and fidgety for several minutes, frowned and coughed and shuffled their feet where the floor sounded loudest and then finally departed somewhere into the back with inarticulate mutterings and much painfully suppressed emotion.

An old gentleman at the back of me who evidently made a habit of misanthropy and allowed none of his fellow creatures' sadness to pass without proper merriment was spending a most enjoyable evening in consequence The world to him was a good deal more than a stage, and he would certainly have been content to wait all night for the rising of the curtain, provided the fun in front went on so uninterruptedly When somebody from the rear made a move for this seat, his face beamed with the gratitude of thanksgiving As the somebody sat down there he seemed to let off a profound chuckle When the somebody faced the hat and fidgeted, his sides shook and his double chin trembled. I did not approve of this gloating, and as often as possible with out creating conversational friction I leaned back suddenly and let one of my shoulders fall on to his nose That gave him pause and breathing time but he used it only to get ready to enjoy the next victim

Just as the lights went down and the curtain went up a young man, the youngest of them all up to now pushed his way in from the side and tumbled into that open trap, plonsly took off his silk "tile" and put it under the seat, bunched himself up into that preposterous attitude that is necessary for proper receptiveness, peered eagerly forward and saw beautifully—all the blackness of the lady's hat Then ensued the usual pantomimic demonstration of foiled expectation—coughs and discomforting, because very sincere, growls. The old gentleman at the rear seemed to be in danger of bursting a blood vessel, and the breathe of his enjoyment came into the nape of my neck warm and frequent and vigorous.

What was most remarkable, however, was that this young man did not abandon the position, like his predecessors, but held on and stuck there in forlorn hope, rousing himself at intervals to pivot round on his vertebral column and describe most alarming contortions in rash attempts to get his head, and more particularly his eyes into some nook or crevice where the stage was not completely effaced, then sinking down in failure and despair and collapsing into unwilling resignation, tempered by ebullitions of muffled groans, and the old gentleman behind was quivering with convulsions of joy so that I fell back on him again and did him more personal injury without, however, much damping his ecstatic rapture.

The girl on the right of us here caused some diversion, and even applause, by removing her hat at her young man's suggestion My unfortunate neighbor seized the opportunity to open up some hints of his own in the guise of a dialogue with me

"That girl, sir," he declared impressively, "that girl is worth her weight in gold."

"Yes," I contented myself with answering, my attention on the play The young lady in the front wriggled.

"The man who marries her," continued the sufferer, with the courage of despair, "marries a pearl—a pearl, sir, above all price!"

"Ah!" I queried absentmindedly, pigheadedly, confining my interest to the stage. The young lady in front huffed herself.

"She has had the intelligence, sir, the intelligence and good breeding, to take her hat off."

This time he had made a false move, had gone too far The young lady in front squared her shoulders and settled down more grimly than ever The young man saw the game was up and left to grunting again. The old gentleman behind was certainly serving himself a slander of apoplexy.

This last indecent exhibition of self indulgence on the old cynic's part aroused my indignation and my sympathy It was a moral and edifying play and we were now coming to the most instructive part, which I did not want the young man to miss. I joined forces to help him and brought my blackjack up at a trot

"She has more than all that," I replied, carrying on the conversation where he left it off "much more. Have you not noted her beautiful golden hair, of [illegible] sunshine and fineness of silk?

The young lady in front commenced to wriggle again. Her hair, alas, was blond, and, to speak the truth, more beautiful than the other's. But of course we did not tell her so—she knew it already I proceeded.

"A young lady with so glorious a crown as hers, I said, referring to her whose hat was off, "has never any hesitation in uncovering in a public assembly The only people who keep their hats on, you will have noticed, are elderly females in a state of dowdy or else unfortunate women more or less bald-headed."

That did it—did it at once. In a twinkling the hat in front came off, disclosing, as the owner knew it would, a wealth of beautiful luxuriance, proclaiming in pride their superiority to any or every other head in the theater The young man seemed dazed for a moment with the light that flooded from the stage that his eyes now saw for the first time that evening Gathering himself together he leaned forward to the lady and gently whispered, "Thank you," then settled down in contentment to enjoy the play, but in the darkness his hand had gripped mine in such sincerity of gratitude that my fingers ached for a week after The old gentleman behind collapsed on to the floor and was assisted out shedding tears.

There is no moral I know of to this story, but I have just heard that the young man has since emigrated to some distant part of central Afric

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

Editor Miner:—You are authorized to announce me as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner subject to the decision of the Republican party.
ALBERT PETERSON.

Kane, Pa., Jan'y 2, 1899.

The Minnesota Legislature re elected Hon. Cushman K. Davis to the United States Senate on Wednesday.

GEN. SHAFTER was "Hobsonized" the other day at El Paso, Texas. Down there the ground is known as "Peace Hill."

IN the contest for United States Senator from California U. S. Grant, Jr., Rep., with D. M. Burns a close second.

A GIANT mogul locomotive was built in a Pennsylvania shop last week in twenty-one hours and thirty minutes. The whole world wants American locomotives and the demand will be met.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

GEN. W. A. STONE was inaugurated Governor of Pennsylvania with imposing ceremonies at Harrisburg last Tuesday. In his inaugural address he gave some sound advice, which if followed will place Pennsylvania in a far better condition four years hence.

THE joint ballot for United States Senator on Thursday in the House and Senate was as follows: Quay 111, Dalzell 27, Stewart 9, Stone 8, Jenks 85. Scattered among others are 18 votes. Dalzell gains two from Wednesday's vote. Quay and Stone each lose one: Quay really lost two as one representative who had not before voted came to and cast his ballot for Quay.

GOVERNOR STONE'S cabinet appointments sent the Senate are as follows: Secretary of the Commonwealth, W. W. Griest; Attorney General, J. P. Elkin; Insurance Commissioner, I. W. Durham; Adjutant General, Thos. J. Stewart; Private Secretary, C. E. Gerwig. A big fight was made about the confirmation of Elkin by a number of anti-Quay men, but got through on a small margin. The other nominations were all confirmed.

NEW YORK, the great Empire State, never was so worthy of her great name as at the present time. 'Tis but a short time ago that her people elected for their chief executive a man who shows a determination to do the right "though the heavens fall." Last week her general assembly elected a world renowned man to the United States Senate, Hon. Chauncey Depew. Such actions of the citizens of any State cannot help but have an influence for good on other States.

GENERAL EAGAN, who used such abusive and ungentlemanly language regarding Maj. Gen. Miles on the witness stand before the war investigating commission last week, is to be court martialed. And now the New York Journal is making it quite warm for him on account of his claiming that the attitude of the Journal toward the Administration was traitorous. He said that if he had the means he would prosecute that paper for treason. The Journal has offered to give him sufficient money to prosecute, but he refuses to commence suit. Gen. Eagan's bluff failed to work all around.

JOHN RUSSELL YOUNG, librarian of the Congressional Library, died at his residence in Washington, D. C., on Tuesday morning, aged 57 years. Mr. Young was a noted journalist, having been managing editor of the Philadelphia Press and New York Tribune. In 1867 he was European representative of the New York Herald, and in 1877 accompanied Gen. Grant on his trip around the world. Mr. Young was appointed United States Minister to China by President Arthur in 1882 which position he held until 1885. He was appointed librarian by President McKinley on July 1, 1897.

IN the death of Nelson A. Dingley, which occurred late last Friday night at his home in Washington, D. C., the nation suffers a great loss. As the father of the tariff measure that bears his name and for the passage of which he labored so zealously he sprang into national prominence at once and his name became a household word. For almost 20 years he has represented the Second Congressional district of Maine. Twice he was elected governor of the Pine Tree State and for two Congressional terms Speaker Reed has placed Mr. Dingley at the head of the Ways and Means Committee. For several days it was hoped that he would recover, but a sudden change came and ended a most brilliant career at the age of 67 years.

BUSINESS looking to the rehabilitation of the American merchant marine will now receive much attention at the hands of Congressional committees among those the most important is the bill introduced by Senator Hanna for the encouragement of commerce by granting subsidies to American shipping. At the hearings thus far had numerous advocates of the policy of subventions have appeared, and with one doubt they have professed an intention. One of the supporters of the Hanna bill said that the subsidies proposed by it were so small that capital this could not be attracted by the prospect of earning them, but would do so largely on account of other considerations. These we, of course, laid upon the probable magnitude of the expected trade with the Asiatic countries, opportunities to which are hampered by the scarcity of ships upon the Pacific ocean, and upon the importance of having American ships to carry American goods in the event of a war involving countries whose vessels carry the products of this country. Much of this discussion has thus far centered about the Hanna bill, for the reason largely that it is supposed to [illegible] most nearly the ideas of the administration.—Gunton's.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16, 1899.

Nobody realizes more fully than President McKinley that the revision of his testimony, eliminating the blackguardism, does not condone the disgraceful conduct of Gen. Eagan in personally abusing Gen. Miles, his superior officer—conduct which was aggravated by the furnishing to the press associations of advance type-written copies of the Bilingsgate before it was uttered in the presence of the war investigating commission, but that revision will at least remove the dirty stuff from the official record. What else is to be done is yet to be determined, but it seems to be reasonably certain that something else will be done and quickly.

The Senate will this week amend and pass the Morgan bill for the construction of the Nicaragua canal, and if the House committee on interstate and foreign commerce would drop the bunch of canal bills it is wrestling with and report the Morgan bill, even with a few amendments, there would be a reasonable certainty of its becoming a law at this session. But if the committee reports an entirely new measure, as all the secret opponents of the canal wish it to do, and as it seems likely to do, the chance of getting it through will certainly not be encouraging. It is either the Morgan bill or no bill at this session.

Gen. Otis and Admiral Dewey, who certainly ought to know better than anybody else, do not expect a conflict with the Philippine insurgents. In their official reports to the government they say that they have perfect control of the situation in and around Manila, and that they are gradually succeeding in making the rank and file of the insurgents understand that Americans are their best friends, not their enemies, as Aguinaldo has recently been trying to make them believe. As soon as that task is accomplished the rest will be easy. Things will move faster over there after the treaty has been ratified.

All sorts of arguments are being advanced in all sorts of ways to arouse opposition to the acquisition of the Philippines by the United States, one of the most unique being the offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie to pay from his own account, the $20,000,000 the treaty of peace calls for, if President McKinley will withdraw our soldiers and warships and allow the Philippines to govern themselves. That offer is bun comb, pure and simple. There are no circumstances under which the offer could be accepted, and nobody knows that any better than Mr. Carnegie. By the treaty of peace the Philippines pass from Spain, their recognized owner, to the United States, which will be held responsible by the nations of the world for the protection of the interests of their citizens in the islands. Whatever may be decided upon, after we have learned more about the islands, the assumption of sovereignty over them by the United States is a present duty that cannot be shirked.

Representative Berry of Kentucky is not with the "anties," as may be seen by the following from a speech made by him: "While I have not in my own mind yet concluded what is best to be done with that new and beautiful country down under the equator, called the Philippine Islands, as much may be said by the people who occupy it, I am ready to listen to suggestions and to hear from men like Dewey and men like Otis and others that are there representing the United States, what their conclusions are as to the best course of the government of the United States towards these people, and having heard that to give it and other circumstances full consideration. But I do not propose, in spite of that treacherous scoundrel, Aguinaldo that scoundrel who was brought in a ship of Dewey's from Hong Kong to Manila—even in spite of the German Empire, to stop one moment in forming my conclusion as to what are the interests of the United States, even if it involves the fact that we shall have to whip Germany as we did Spain."

Death can certainly be accused of having been partial to the New England delegation in Congress, when it strikes down so close together two such prominent men as Senator Morrill and Representative Dingley. The funeral of Mr. Dingley took place to-day in the hall of the House of Representatives, in the presence of almost the same audience of prominent officials and persons who attended the recent funeral of Senator Morrill, in the Senate chamber. Mr. Ding'y was not an orator but he was a statesman of hard, horse sense and wide experience, whose advice was always welcome in the highest Republican councils, and usually followed. He knew the tariff as only half a dozen men have ever known it, and the present tariff, which bears his name, is a monument to the good use to which he put his knowledge. A joint Congressional committee left Washington after the funeral with the remains, which will be interred in Maine.

The first contest in connection with the treaty of peace was over the motion to consider it with open doors. There was no doubt of the fate of the motion at any time, as some of the strongest opponents of secret executive sessions had in former contests specially excepted treaties as the one thing that should be considered secretly.

AN AMERICAN GIRL.

Senator Gray has introduced a resolution in the United States Senate directing that a gold medal be struck by the government and presented by the President to Miss Helen Gould as a tribute from the nation in recognition of her "patriotic devotion and boundless benevolence" during the war. The New York Assembly has already passed resolutions of thanks to Miss Gould, and all honor that that State can be now will be hers. This is as it should be, and it is to be hoped that the Senate will act promptly and affirmatively upon Senator Gray's resolution.

A tribute of this kind to Miss Gould will be a tribute to the services of women during the war. It is impossible for the government to recognize and reward the devotion and self sacrifice of each of the women who devoted their time, strength and means to aiding and nursing the sick and wounded. Their name is legion and their reward can only be the admiration and love of a devoted nation. But it would be singularly appropriate for Congress to select some shining example of "patriotic devotion and boundless benevolence" from the mass and by paying tribute to it show in official form the government's and nation's appreciation of the services of all.

If any one is to have that honor there would be no dissenting voice should Miss Helen Gould be nominated. As a matter of fact she has been nominated already, by the suffragen of the people at large. She is to day the typical American girl. Unspoiled by wealth, untouched by the false valuations of a shallow society in which she was bred, earnest and sincere in her desire to do her share in the world's work, wise and thoughtful in the direction of her benevolent efforts, at once a patriot and a woman, she is the shining exemplar of the loveliest type that treads the globe.

The nation owes a debt of gratitude to its womanhood. Some recognition of their services during the war should be made, and her share of the honors meted out to her. No better plan to consummate this could be found than Senator Gray's happy resolution. Let a medal of honor be given the American Girl—Miss Helen Gould.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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EXERCISE FOR BLUEJACKETS.

The sunlight fading out of the clear, cold sky and flashing crimson and gold, in the windows of the tall buildings across the river engaged the attention of Lieutenant Commander Rodgers, executive officer of the big white battleship Indiana, one afternoon last week. He was commenting on the beauty of the picture when the officer of the deck, whose red nose and ears testified to the sharpness of the breeze, approached him, says the New York Sun.

"Shall we have the setting up exercises ashore or on board, sir?" he asked.

Mr. Rodgers looked over the stretch of black soil which extended from the water's edge to the Lyceum building in the navy yard. The ground was frozen hard and the sharp eye of the executive officer could detect no mud holes.

"Have it ashore," he said. The deck officer saluted and went away. Eight bells sounded and the ships buglers began to sound the call for evening quarters. One by one the officers straggled up the companionways, buckling on their swords and pulling on their gloves. Mr. Rodgers stood in the lee of the after turret and received reports from the different divisions.

"Engineer's division all accounted for, sir," one would say and then scurry away to his quarters. The marine guard formed on the deck abaft the superstructure. Lieut. Hatch, their long limbed, dark faced young commander, inspected them and then in quick tones ordered them to march. Stiff as a ramrod he tramped at their head down the broad gangplank to the dock. It was the beginning of an exodus. From forward and aft bluejackets streamed over the ship's side until nearly 500 men, the entire ship's company, were marching and countermarching in the space between the ship and the navy yard building. They were aligned in divisions. First they were put through the setting up exercises.

"Arms right!" and right arms shot out horizontally. "Arms down!" The extended arm dropped.

The perfect drill of a man o' war showed in the regularity and precision of the movements. Lieutenant Commander Rodgers stood in front of the first division and gave the orders, which were passed along from division officer to division officer, so that in the performance of the motions each division was a few seconds behind that immediately in front of it. The result was a wavy effect, which was particularly marked in the bending movements, when it seemed as if a strong breeze blowing bent the heads of each succeeding line as it passed.

"Attention!" shouted Mr. Rodgers, and the men stood motionless, lines of blue making a gridiron of the field. Suddenly the blare of the bugles rang, a drum was beaten and then the note of "Pop Goes the Weasel" rolled briskly out. Every division started to run. It was the double time. The men ran in columns of two and the field seemed covered with the long lines of bluejackets, wheeling this way and that, squirming in and out, every man in step with the others and in time with the music, and the red leg stripes of the marines flashing amid the sober and stripeless wilderness of sailor's legs. For 15 minutes the exercise was continued, and then the men returned to the ship.

As they did so a bluejacket walked to the flagstaff and began handling the halliards. The buglers began to play "colors." Every man faced the flag, which blew out straight and stiff in the strong wind, and stood at attention. The bluejacket pulled at the halliards and the stars and stripes came fluttering down. As they touched the deck officers and men lifted their heads in salute. The day was officially at an end on the battleship Indiana.

"This exercise is gone through at evening and morning quarters on all the ships in the navy," said one of the officers when all the men had gone below. "In the old ships the men got exercise enough in working the vessel. There was rigging to be looked after and many other duties had to be attended to which have no place in the modern man o' war's man. A battleship nowadays is a hive into which men are crowded. We must have them for the guns and for the engines, but there is little work to be done which gives them open air exercise. So we put them through the calisthenic exercise and the double time to limber them up. Usually these exercises are performed on the ship, but when the ground is dry we send the men out there on the dock where there is plenty of room. They get a better chance for the double time and enjoy it much more than they do on shipboard."

STOP THE WEARISOME GABBLE.

There is a vast amount of silly twaddle printed in those papers that violently oppose what they are pleased to term the "expansion policy" of the government, as if it had already been determined to immediately annex the Philippine islands, confer full suffrage upon their inhabitants and open wide the doors of both houses of Congress to their representatives. One paper has this to say upon the rights and powers of the President in the present emergency, when Dewey and Otis are doing all that can be done to quiet matters on the islands:

"The President of the United States has no right to make war. By the constitution the power to declare war is vested in Congress. The President has the constitutional right to use the forces of the United States to repel invasion; to use such forces to make invasion, to attack any people unless empowered explicitly to do so by Congress, by the power that alone may decree war and peace, he has no right. And against the Filipinos Congress has not declared war, has not authorized the President to make war. Therefore, if he orders the United States troops to the Philippines to attack and make war on the Filipinos he is exceeding his power."

What all this wisdom in construing the constitution has to do with the case in hand is a difficult problem. Congress did authorize the President to make war against Spain, and one of the events of that war was the capture of the Spanish colonial possessions in Asia. It may have been wrong for Admiral Dewey to go to Manila, capture the island of Luzon and destroy the Spanish fleet, but he did so while acting under the direct orders of the government. In concluding a treaty of peace Spain surrendered the possessions of these islands to the United States. The islands by capture and surrender thus became as much a part of the United States as is Arizona. The people are subjects of the United States as actually as are the people of British India subjects of Great Britain. What our government may do with the islands is another and undecided question, but so long as present conditions exist the President has the same right, authority and power to resist the insurgents in Luzon or Iloilo as he would have to put down a rebellion in Illinois or Massachusetts. The people of the Philippines now owe allegiance to this government and no other, and they will continue to do so until it has been decided what disposition we shall make of the islands.

If Manila should be attacked by a German or French fleet Admiral Dewey would be derelict in his duty if he did not resist such an assault, and if Aguinaldo or any one else regards General Otis as an interloper he is liable to find himself as much a rebel as if he carried on his revolt in America itself. The constitution gives the President the right to repel invasion anywhere in the Philippines, Hawaii, Cuba, Porto Rico or wherever else the legal jurisdiction of the government extends.—Lancaster Examiner.

To Whom It May Concern.

Parties buying butter at retail at the creamery will please pay for same on delivery. It takes up too much of my time and time of my clerks to look after so many little accounts.

E. C. YOUNG, Salesman.
Smethport, Pa., Jan. 20, 1899.

W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

A RAILROAD MAN'S PRAYER.

An old railroad worker was converted, and being present at a meeting at which there were many inquirers he was asked to lead in prayer. He hesitated a moment and then with trembling lips, but clear resounding voice, he said reverently: "O, Lord, now that I have flagged Thee, lift up my feet from the rough road of life and plant them safely on the deck of the train of salvation. Let me use the safety lamp, known as prudence, make all the couplings in the train with the strong link of Thy love, and let my handlamp be the bible. And, Heavenly Father, keep all switches closed that lead off on the sidings, especially those with a blind end. O, Lord, if it be Thy pleasure, have every semaphore block along the line show the white light of hope, that I may make the run of life without stopping. And, Lord, give us the ten commandments for a schedule; and when I have finished the run on schedule time, pulled into the great dark station of death, may Thou, the Superintendent of the Universe, say 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant; come and sign the pay roll and receive your check for eternal happiness.'"

"THE SWITCH."

On the fast train of life, boys, 'tis well to take heed.
To stand to the brakes, maybe lessen the speed;
For the down grade all trying, your train you may ditch;
And whatever you do, boys, don't fail at the switch.

More trains have been wrecked, more lives have been lost,
More loads have been carried at ruinous cost
By this error of youth, which no words can explain,
This blunder of blunders—not switching the train.

If you come to a place where the grade is too steep,
Switch some of the cars, that the rest you may keep;
Perhaps it is smoking, perhaps it is drink;
Whatever's the hindrance, stop the train, boys, and think.

And when you have passed on this wonderful route,
And brushed off the cinders, the dust and the soot;
Examine the wheels, sound them well, mend them true;
If they ring as they ought—why carry them through.

—Mary E. Buell.

The American Bible Society has sent an agent to Porto Rico with one thousand copies of the bible for distribution. This is the first time a visit has ever been made to that island for the purpose of introducing the Protestant bible among the inhabitants. Let it not be said that in Porto Rico, side by side with American missionaries, come the liquor agents of the United States government.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at A. B. Armstrong & Co.'s drug store.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

You are perhaps aware that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of la grippe. During the epidemic of la grippe a few years ago when so many cases resulted in pneumonia, it was observed that the attack was never followed by that disease when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. It counteracts any tendency of a cold or la grippe to result in that dangerous disease. It is the best remedy in the world for bad colds and la grippe. Every bottle warranted. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

For Sale.

A fine residence in Smethport, within 3 minutes' walk of the court house; gas, water and closets. The house is a two-story structure, large and commodious. Will be sold cheap and on reasonable terms. Inquire at this office.

Many a household is saddened by death because of the failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute Cough Cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Soothing, healing, cleansing. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the implacable enemy of sores, burns and wounds. It never fails to cure piles. You may rely upon that. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Examine well those silk-lined box coats at R. Seger & Son's.

SPECIAL SALE!

During January & February Look Out for Bargins.

This week Sat we commence 2 giv U 4 lbs best soda & milk crackers for 25c. Thes wer baked Wednesday, 18th. U R paying 8 & 10c lb for the same, but not so fresh as mine. If U buy 1 lot U will want more.

Wallace Bros. large spoon, regular 48c set, 24c. Tea spoons, 12c. Just think ¼ price.

35c steel curry comb, 10c.

Boys 4-ply linen turn down collars, size 13½, 5c each. Men's 16, 16½ & 17, 10c each.

Paper & envelopes, 1-lb boxs, 14c.

Men's 50c mule skin handed mits, 24c. Scotch gloves, 25c.

10 lbs granulated sugar, 50c.

Arbuckle's coffee, 10c lb.

Parlor matches, 6c doz. U pay 18 & 20c for same.

Scouller's best flour, $1.12

White Lilly and Straight, 98c Each & evry sack warranted.

Grocer's fresh mixed candy, 5c lb while it lasts.

4-yr-old cider vinegar, 16c gal.

3-qt T or coffee pots, steel enameled, 25c. Reg 40c goods.

3-qt basins of same 10c.

100 clothes pins 5c.

A nu lot of iron stone china plates, 5 & 8c each. Cups and saucers, 40c to 65c set 6, and all other kinds of plain white china. Prices cut awa down.

Large lot of men's pantaloons to sell at giv away prices. Also large lot of slightly damaged goods.

Those china nest eggs haz just kum, 20c doz.

Also those sad iron handles, 5c each

Soft crush hats, man'f'rs samples $2 & $3 goods, our price, $1.50.

Madam Warren's dress form corset, the only corset on which a dress can be fitted to perfection, $1.50 goods, Racket price, $1.15. 48c corsets if U wish a cheaper grade.

A. E. STICKLES,
Granger Block. Smethport.

Cash Bargain Day,

Sat. Jan. 21,

10 bars Climax soap for 25c
8 bars Oak Leaf soap for 25c
1 qt of Heinz mixed sweet pickles for 14c
1 doz Heinz sweet pickles for 8c
To introduce a coffee that is far superior to Arbuckle's or any cheap Rio coffee we will sell (Blended Santos) coffee, roasted by Chase & Sanborn, regular every day price 17c lb, to-day at 5.4c
Gold Dust, any quantity, per pkg 14c
A good bleached piece of table cloth we will sell today per yd 25c
(By request of several customers we repeat above sale on same kind of table cloth as we sold three or four weeks ago.)
Heavy piece of rich lumberman flannel, sale price to-day per yd only 25c
2½ lb box of black pepper, a pound for 25c
A 10c sack of Worcester salt 7c
Pint bottle Royal Salid dressing for 45c
We carry P N corsets, sizes 18 to 31, your choice, each 75c
White clover table syrup, qt can, fancy 10c
Limburger and Swiss cheese in stock.

J. Colegrove,
106 EAST MAIN STREET.

NEW MEAT MARKET,
Norman C. Keefer, Prop'r,
Cor. Mechanic and Willow Sts.

THE FINEST OF
STEAKS, ROASTS AND BOILING MEATS
always on hand. All kinds POULTRY a specialty.
Call and examine my stock and get prices.
N. C. KEEFER,
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John Vanblad,
Practical Horseshoer.

I have rented the blacksmith shop of T. H. Purtle and am now well prepared to do

HORSESHOEING
and
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of all kinds in a prompt and satisfactory manner.

Special attention to shoeing interfering and sore horses.

A share of your patronage solicited.

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Modern, scientific and up-to-date.
Painless extraction of teeth. Over 25 years' experience.
Satisfaction guaranteed.

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S. HICKS,
OPTICIAN,
KANE,
WILL TEST EYES AND FIT GLASSES AT
Dr. Chadwick's Drug Store,
Smethport, Pa.,
Monday till Thursday,
JAN. 30, FEB. 2.
Office hours from 1 to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.

Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN application will be made to the Governor of the Statue of Pennsylvania on Thursday, January 26th, 1899, by Hiram Allen, F. M. Olds, M. F. Quinn, H. R. Sherman and John Troy, under the act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called Hiram Allen Chemical Company, the character and object of which is the manufacture, distillation of wood alcohol and chemical, and other products from wood, and for those purposes to have and to possess all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

E. L. KEENAN,
Solicitor.
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Notice to Take Testimony In Divorce.

Mary E. Casey vs. Charles A. Casey. } In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County No. 18, June Term, 1898.

To the above named respondent:

You are hereby notified that I have been appointed examiner by the said Court to take testimony in the above entitled cause, and to report the same to the said Court. In accordance therewith I will attend to the duties of my appointment at the office of E. Mayo & Son, in the Dec Building in the borough of Smethport, McKean County, Pa., on Monday, January 30, A. D. 1899, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., when and where you may be present if you deem proper.

O. A. MAYO,
Examiner.
Boyce & Kinzua,
Attorneys for Libellant.
Jan. 1, 1899.

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NEW SPRING CARPETS.

Ready in advance with new spring styles and enough of them to show that we mean to do the carpet business of this section.

Nowhere else any such display; nowhere else any such good value for your money. And, in addition to having the largest stock to select from, and the most exquisite colorings and patterns, we sew all Carpets Free. We have over 300 new patterns on show, and if you are in need of a carpet, we want to hear from you. All the designs we show, you cannot find elsewhere, as our styles are confined to us exclusively. It's a great satisfaction to trade here, as our values are always right.

A big line of brussels at 50c, 60c, 75c, 85c. A line of Axminsters, Best Velvets, Body Brussels and Moquettes at 79c, sewed and delivered. These pieces range from 16 to 50 yards each, and former prices were from $1.00 to $1.25 per yard, but during this sale, we are going to sell them at 79c.

50 patterns in best brussels at 90c and Royal Wilton Velvets at $1.09.

These are our special values and they comprise the new colors—reds, greens, blues and browns. Pretty patters in halls and stairs, and beautiful borders to match all patterns.

Large stock of Wilton rugs in large sizes 8 ft 3x10 6 and 9x12, $30 and $35.

We want your trade and would like to correspond about Carpets, &c.

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HARNESS, the best to be found.
CARRIAGES arriving daily.
CUTTERS and SLEIGHS for all.
HORSE clothing.
HARNESS & CARRIAGE supplies.
COME IN & inspect our stock.
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Coast, Stone & Coast,
258 N. Union St. OLEAN, N. Y.

ATTENTION!

BARGAIN DAY SALE

R. Seger & Son will on all Saturdays hereafter, commencing with

Saturday, December 3rd, 1898,

have a bargain day sale. This is no fake sale but a genuine bona fide sale. All goods will be marked down far below the average price. These sales will only last one day each week and no goods can be bought during the week at these prices. The following are a few of the bargains that will be on sale next Saturday:

Men's Heavy Winter Box Coats, formerly $15.00, on sale Saturday at $12.00.
Men's Fine Blue Kerseys, formerly $14 and $15, on Saturday $10 and $12.
Men's Fine All Wool Suits, from $8 up to $16, on sale Saturday from $5 up to $12.
Boy's All Wool Suits, $4 up to $11, for this sale, $3 up to $8.
Men's All Wool Underwear, $2.00 suit, this sale, $1.50 a suit.
All Ties 38c and 19c.
Shoes, $1.50 up to $5, this sale $1.00 up to $4.00.
Cuffs, formerly 50c and 25c, for Sat. 40c and 20c.

All other goods in our store marked accordingly low. It will pay you to call and examine this entire new line and see some of the astonishing bargains we offer. Don't forget the date.

R. SEGER & SON,
Reilly Block. SMETHPORT, PA.

Re-Opened.

EXCELSIOR MARBLE & GRANITE WORKS.

Is now ready for business and prepared to fill all orders for Marble and Granite work, Cemetery fencing, Etc., Etc.

Works Cor. Franklin & Water Sts.,
Smethport, Pa.
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Fire insurance written in the leading companies. Life and Accident insurance in the most reliable companies of America.

PIANOS
Of the following first-class manufacturers: A. B. Chase, Hinze & Gerst, Mathias Lowe and Woodward & Brown, sold for cash or on installments.

ORGANS
Of the very best makes, sold for cash or on installments, at reduced prices.

SEWING MACHINES.
Will sell Domestic and Wheeler & Wilson machines together for cash at a
Reduction of $12.00
from the list price of each machine, as my store. Now avail yourselves of this grand offer.

Piano and Organ Instruction Books, Sheet Music, Needles, Oil and all kinds of Mixtures for all kinds of Sewing Machines. Mail orders will receive prompt attention.

Mr. F. W. Burdick, Piano Tuner of Olean, N. Y., will visit Smethport every three months. Please leave orders at my office.

C. A. BURDICK.
Salesroom, Reilly Block,
Smethport, Pa.

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Rooney's is the Place

to buy a nice, sweet piece of

Fresh, Salt or Smoked

MEAT

whether it be a full quarter or a small steak. And for

Fruit and Vegetables

I am always headquarters.

J. F. ROONEY, Smethport, Pa.

Leonard Koenig,

located near the creamery, is prepared to do all kinds of

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Always done neatly and promptly. Latest styles of coverings on hand.

Smethport, - Penna.

IN BRADFORD

You can save money on most lines, and select from the widest variety.

This store carries most of the things that you buy, outside of food and dress. Most of our customers wish that we sold those things, too. If we carry a line you may be sure that we carry everything that belongs to it. We buy and sell so much that we can sell many things for less than most dealers can buy them.

You will find it very agreeable and profitable if you will get in the habit of coming here.

CHINA — We carry one hundred styles of dinner sets, ranging in price from $6.75 to $250.00. All other china lines equally as varied. We import our foreign china direct.

LAMPS — Among our several hundred lamp styles, you will find some remarkable bargains. For instance, we are selling some lamps now for $3.50 that we picked up in New York. Last spring we paid almost twice that for the very same lamps.

SKATES — We sell steel skates for men and boys—skates with Winslow's National Club Lever—for 40c per pair.

INCANDESCENT BURNERS—75 CTS.

The Apollo incandescent gas burner lasts longer than any other, and gives a white, clear light. We sell them, shade, chimney and all, for 75c. Apollo mantles, 18c.

RELIABLE GAS RANGES.

We have sold hundreds of these ranges around Bradford, and have never yet had a complaint. They are not only the best gas ranges—but better than all other ranges in fully twenty points. Prices $13.50 up.

HORSE GOODS. We can save you probably 20 per cent. on a harness. We can save you on blankets and show you fifty styles. We can furnish you anything that a horse owner needs.

EMERY & WEAVER.

L. Emery, Jr., & Co., Bradford.

NEW GOODS AT STORE OF

D. C. YOUNG.

Call and examine same. Prices as low as the lowest.

Prices on all Winter Goods reduced to make room for Spring stock.

Several lines of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes at cost to close.

D. C. YOUNG,
Smethport, Pa.
Dec. 26, 1898.

GREAT SHOE SALE

We will continue this sale. We want to close out the entire lot to make room.

The stock consists of—

Ladies', Misses', Childrens' and Babies' Shoes

Don't miss this opportunity to get shoes cheap.

Mrs. E. E. Chambers & Co.,
SMETHPORT, PA.

Model Restaurant,
ALFRED HAGBERG, Propr.

I have recently purchased the Restaurant of W. G. Holder and am now prepared to serve

Hot or Cold Lunches and Meals at all Hours.

I also keep on hand the best, freshest and most complete stock of

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to be found anywhere. Give me a trial and be convinced.

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We invite the attention of lovers of the exquisite in Dress Materials to an elaborate line in Single Pattern pieces that we are showing just now We need not multiply words to demonstrate to you the advantages of the single pattern piece method. All good dressers will appreciate it at sight

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Cloaks Blankets
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Fresh Provisions at right prices.

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Dry Goods, Groceries, Shoes,

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Take a Good Look at Yourself.

The best way to get a GOOD look is to come to my studio and get a photograph taken The fine effects and finish of Platino pictures are sure to please you. "Come early and avoid the rush."

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McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second class mail matter

SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, JAN 20, 1899

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.
MYRON TERWILLIGER.
East Smethport, Pa. Jan. 2, 1899

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Supervisor of Keating township, subject to the rules of the Republican caucus.
J. H STRATTON
Corydon, Pa. Jan. 12, 1899

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Constable of Keating township, subject to the rules of the Democratic caucus
GARDNER CALLEN
East Smethport, Pa., Jan 1., 1899.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries.
FRANK FRITZ
Cyclone, Pa., Jan 17 1899

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Select good men for council

—J. Colegrove advertises Saturday bargains this week.

—Dr. S. Hicks advertises to be here from Jan. 30 to Feb. 2.

—Watch the label on your MINER and if in arrears please settle

—J. A. Yerdon has been wrestling with an attack of grip this week

—Pay up your subscription and you will feel all the better for doing so.

—The grip is no respecter of persons. It has tackled King Oscar of Sweden.

—Hicklin, the Racket man, has a new ad this week. He always offers bargains.

—The glass plant was shut down Monday owing to some needed repairs on the tank.

—Mrs. Mary W Mann died at her home in Coudersport Monday evening, aged 78 years.

—It is claimed that the gambling houses in Bradford are running full blast again.

—John C. McKenna, superintendent of the B., R. & K railroad, is seriously ill with grip.—Bradford Star

—H. W. Marcus offers to exchange valuable property for cash in his advertisement this week. Read it.

—List of letters remaining in the postoffice at Smethport for the week ending Jan. 14, 1899 Miss L. Wright

—The Republican borough caucus will be held Saturday evening, Jan 28 from 7 to 9 o'clock See call elsewhere.

—Daniel Clark, who had been a resident of Potter county 83 years, died at Crandall Hill Saturday aged 86 years.

—Whatever you go you find the Illustrated Buffalo Express. It is popular everywhere and it deserves its popularity.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will have a sale of cooked food Saturday, January 21, from 2 until 6 p. m.

—A Bradford man with a small batch of jim-jams created something of a sensation in the court house corridors Wednesday.

—It is said that the present eruption of Mt. Vesuvius is breaking all previous records, although as yet no serious damage has occurred.

—R. C. Gleason is selling quite a few graphophones. He has an excellent machine on exhibition now with which he is entertaining his friends.

—Rev. Father O'Brien has met with very flattering success at St. Elizabeth's church since his arrival The church is thronged every Sunday.

—A new opera house is in course of erection at Smethport and ground has been staked off for about one hundred new houses in that place.

—Mrs. D. C. Young pleasantly entertained the members of the Travelers' Club and friends at her home on West Main street yesterday afternoon.

—Clermont Lodge, I. O. O. F., will visit Smethport Lodge, I. O. O. F., this evening and a supper will be tendered the visitors at the Wright House.

—At St. Luke's church on Sunday next the services will be at 8 and 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Gounod's anthem, "Hand Out Thy Light," will be sung at the evening service.

—An excellent gas well was drilled in Tuesday at Corydon by the Kehgas Natural Gas company. J. F. Rooney, one of the members of the company, says it is the best well they have drilled.

—As a result of the Fuller Road Improvement law enacted in 1895 New York State will pay $34,517 75 toward the improvement of its roads.

—George T. Angell, of Dumb Animals, says that half a teaspoonful of sulphur in each shoe or stocking will prevent grip, malaria, rheumatism and yellow fever.

—The Smethport Gas company found a good vein of gas in the second sand in the well being drilled on the Haven farm. The well will be finished the first of next week.

—Jack Carrig, the gamey young Olean boxer was defeated by "Kid" McFarland at the Olympic club, Buffalo, Monday night. The bout lasted the full 20 rounds.

—The Rushford Spectator notes the fact that Foley Bros. of Olean have secured the contract for setting a $1,100 monument in memory of the late Wm Burns of Delevan.

—A very pleasant dancing party was given at the new home of Samuel Southwick, in Keating township, on Tuesday night. All who were present enjoyed themselves hugely

—We are in receipt of a copy of the World Almanac and Encyclopedia. Besides containing any amount of other valuable information it contains an excellent history of the Spanish-American war.

—The MINER is in receipt of the Practical Farmer's Year Book and Almanac for 1899 It is a work containing over 350 pages of most useful information to every farmer and ought to be in every home in the country.

—H W Rubin & Co. have a new advertisement this week. They offer to give you your money back if you are not satisfied with the goods purchased. This firm is in every way reliable and what they promise to do can be depended upon.

—J J Sheehy, Bradford's leading lee man, died at his home in that city early Wednesday morning after a long illness, aged 54 years. Deceased is survived by a widow and three daughters, Miss Mayme, Mrs Katharine Andrews and Miss Laura.

—From the Bradford Era we learn that Mrs. James Whitehead, who was the victim of a murderous husband at Mills, Potter county, several months ago and who is now with her sister, Mrs. Schoonover, Bradford, is in a fair way to recover from her injuries.

—An effort should be made at once to build an opera house or a suitable hall in Smethport In our opinion a good opera house, properly managed, would be a paying investment. There is no greater drawback to a live town than to be without a place for public entertainment.

—Company L, the new Bradford company, did themselves proud at Harrisburg during the inauguration of Governor Stone last Tuesday The boys were at the head of the regiment in the line of march and was the only company to receive applause from the reviewing stand

—The Port Allegany Reporter says Tallow dips and oil lamps decorated store windows and flickered a dull gleam in an effort toward lighting business places Saturday night in the absence of sufficient gas Although somewhat subdued the effect was not inartistic, at least.

—C J. Gustafson, who has been an inmate at the poor farm for the past few months, died in that institution on Monday evening aged 73 years. The cause of his death was consumption. His remains were taken in charge by the Swedish people and the funeral was held in this place on Wednesday

—There are rumors afloat that Elisha K. Kane will build a railroad from Backus to Smethport, connecting with the B., R. & P. at the former place and with the W N Y & P here. We were informed by a prominent business man in this borough that if Mr Kane met with no opposition the road was a sure thing.

—L Palmiter of Kinzua writes the MINER as follows "We are trying titles with the grip and he has the best of it so far Six of my family of seven are bowling down to him Two of our schoolma'ams were here the other evening. One reported 20 and the other 20 of their scholars down with the disease."

—We understand that the Smethport board of trade contemplates securing some gas territory for the purpose of supplying cheap gas to any industry that may wish to locate at Smethport. If this is accomplished Smethport has bright prospects for the future. With plenty of gas Smethport will become the greatest glass manufacturing center in the world.

—An old lady who died in Rochester, N Y., a few days ago was the daughter of a man who fought under Washington, and her husband was a soldier in the war of 1812 She was a young woman when she heard of the battle of Waterloo The ambition of this old lady, aged 102, was to survive until 1901, so that she might say she had lived in three different centuries.—Exchange.

—John Caple died at the poor farm from heart trouble Monday evening, aged 59 years. Caple was at one time a prosperous farmer in Annin township and was well known in that part of the county, but he met with reverses and last fall when he was taken sick he was compelled to apply for aid from the county. The remains were taken to Sartwell Wednesday morning for burial.

—Frank Fritz announces in this week's MINER that he is a candidate for re-election as supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus. For three successive terms Mr Fritz has so faithfully served the taxpayers of Keating township in the position to which he again aspires that naught but praise is heard of him, and should he be accorded the nomination his re-election is assured.

—A pleasant social hop was given at the Lyceum last evening in which a large number of Kane's popular young people participated The music, which was exceptionally fine, was furnished by Jamison's full orchestra of Bradford. The party was given by P. W. Crossen and Miss Annie Maher in honor of their friend, Miss M Connelly, of Smethport, who has been visiting friends for the past two weeks.—Kane Republican, Tuesday.

—Rev Dr. Walker announced last Sunday that the special services would be continued. The congregations were large both morning and evening. The subjects for next Sunday will be At 10:30 a. m., "Abraham's Faith; or the Lamb Provided." At 7:30 p. m., "Jesus Teaching Conversion" The church and Sunday school are growing under the quickening power of the Holy Spirit. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to enjoy these seasons of refreshing.

—The high winds of Saturday caused considerable damage in this vicinity Nearly 5,000 feet of sawed lumber belonging to the Smethport Extract Company was blown from the piles, most of which is a total loss. The flying boards struck a house belonging to O D Bush at East Smethport, damaging the shingles and siding to quite an extent. Miss Ingram, who was on the street during the storm, was quite badly injured by the flying debris. A derrick in East Smethport, the property of the Extract Company, was blown down. Considerable damage is reported all along Marvin creek.

—The Kane Republican truthfully says: Luzerne county has established a precedent which should be followed by every county in the State. The commissioners made application to the grand jury for authority to permanently improve, at the cost of the county, five miles of public road and the grand jury has approved the application. This is thought to be the first instance in Pennsylvania where the county has engaged in public road building.

—If there are three papers in a town, the strongest one is the least willing to cut its rates. The poorest paper is the most willing. But the leading newspapers are just those an advertiser should use. What he wants is value for his money, and the chances are that he would get better returns from the representative paper of a town, of large circulation and influence, at full rates than he would from a struggling sheet, of inferior grade, at half rates.—Printer's Ink.

—Mrs. Katherine Hazen died very suddenly early yesterday morning at the residence of Andrew Smith, East Smethport. She was apparently as well as ever until Wednesday evening when she suffered a stroke of paralysis, with the above stated fatal result. She was aged 72 years and had been a resident of this borough, where she resided with her son, John, for about five years She leaves seven children. The funeral will be held to-morrow at the M. E. church at 2 p. m.

—It is a notable fact that many good items are lost to the newspapers every week by the modesty of the people who hesitate to tell the editor matters concerning themselves, says an exchange. The right thing to do is to courteously stop the newspaper man on the street or any place you may see him and tell him you have been on a visit, have relatives visiting you, that you and your wife have a new baby at your house, or that your wife entertained friends, or anything that is in any way a matter of news. If you have done anything mean keep that to yourself, for there are others who make it their business to tell about it.

—A sad accident occurred at the Adrain mines, Jefferson county, on January 3d, whereby Robert Broadbent, a brother of Mrs. Chas. Bush of this borough, was horribly mangled and killed before help could reach him. He was a driver on the slope and had reached down to hook the tail chain when in some manner he slipped and fell under the heavily loaded cars, five or six of which passed over his body and crushed his head in a frightful manner. He left his home at 6.30 a. m. in perfect health and when some two hours later the news was brought that he was dead the aged father was almost prostrated The unfortunate young man was but 19 years of age; he had worked in the mines from childhood. The sympathy of all goes out to the bereaved ones.

—Conductor Bogart of the B., B. & K railroad tells of an exciting experience during the storm on Saturday. He and other members of the crew were chopping away the trees that had fallen and which obstructed the passage of the train when he heard a crash and looking up the hill he saw a great tree falling which threatened to drop right on the spot where the men were at work Bogart shouted a warning and the men fled for safety, but the limbs of the tree grazed the clothes of one of the men before he could jump backwards out of its way and the front of his trousers legs were torn away and his watch and chain jerked from his vest. The man was unhurt. He pinned his trousers together and a search was made for the watch but it could not be found. The train did not arrive in Kane until 8 p. m., four hours late.—Bradford Star.

—A distressing accident occurred on Minard Run Friday afternoon. Homer, the 15-year old son of Mr. J. E. Young, and his young sister were returning home from a short expedition, the lad carrying a loaded shotgun across the back of his neck, one hand on the lock and the left hand partly over the muzzle of the weapon By some means the gun was discharged and the charge tore off the outer side of the lad's left hand, including the little finger. The boy's sister was walking by his side on the left, and narrowly escaped receiving the charge in her head. Dr. Benninghoff of this city was summoned by telephone and went to the lad's home where, assisted by Dr. Chesney of Custer City, he attended to the injury. The wound is a bad one and may involve the loss of the greater part of the hand, but the surgeons hope that the wound will heal.—Bradford Record.

—At 1 45 o'clock Friday morning L. W. Rockwell of No. 53 Cottage Row, was awakened from a deep sleep by suffocating smoke originating he soon found, from a fire which had broken out in a front room on the first floor of his house and which had gained great headway when it was discovered. Rockwell ran upstairs and awakened his wife and children and they made their way in safety out of the burning building. Then Rockwell ran upstairs again and awakened a servant girl who was calmly sleeping, unconscious that her life was in danger. Rockwell got the girl out in safety, although they were almost suffocated by the dense smoke A man on Main street saw the fire and turned in an alarm and the firemen responded promptly, but could not save the building, which was gutted. The loss to Rockwell was $1,500. The property was insured with Patton & Wheeler for $800. Rockwell is an O., R. C. & B. conductor.—Bradford Star.

—A fatal fire occurred at Chipmunk early this morning. The house of John Lyons was totally destroyed by fire and Mrs. Lyons and her two-year-old child were fatally burned. The family was aroused by the suffocating fumes of smoke. Too much confused to find the door of the room they groped about the walls, every second making the fire hotter and the smoke thicker. With the instinct of a mother Mrs. Lyons held her babe closely to her breast and when the way to escape was finally open for them the poor woman was overcome and fell to the floor. The husband made an effort to rescue his wife and little one, but had to save his own life and when the mother and child were taken from the building they were badly burned. Dr. Hicks of Allegany was called and although he did everything possible for the sufferer, the child died not long after being rescued, and the doctor said the mother could not live. Mrs. Lyons' father, Mr. Beatty, leaped from a second story window of the burning building and was painfully injured and burned. The husband, John Lyons, was also burned painfully. It is believed the fire was caused by an overheated stove.—Bradford Star, Saturday.

Notice Republicans.

The regular caucus of the Republicans of Smethport boro for the purpose of nominations for boro officers will be held at the polling place in said boro on Saturday evening, Jan. 28th, 1899, from 7 to 9 o'clock All Republicans of the boro are requested to be present.

O. B. MATO,
Co. Committeeman for Smethport boro.

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his house in the skies. But early to bed and a Little Early Riser the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Give the "Yukon Girl" a call.

PERSONAL MENTION

Sam Powell was in Bradford Wednesday

Mrs H ... Was a visitor Buffalo ... day

Mrs Carr ... Reilly visited Buffalo yesterday

Elisha K Kane of Kushequa was in town Tuesday.

Fred W. Backus visited Olean friends Tuesday.

John W. Wagley of Kane visited Smethport this week.

Frank Boyd of Sawyer City is doing jury duty this week.

Attorney J. E. Mullin of Kane attended court this week.

M. J. Hadley of Port Allegany attended court this week.

D W Lerch, the Bradford job printer, was in town Monday.

Attorney H. S. Rogers of Mt. Jewett had business in town this week.

Chris McAlee of Johnsonburg spent Sunday with Smethport friends.

C. N. Barrett of Port Allegany was a caller at this office Tuesday.

B C. Ryan of Kane was a guest at the Grand Central Sunday night.

W. W. Seymour of Ormsby was a guest of A. D Doyle over Sunday

Dr. Thomas L. Kane of Kane was in town the forepart of the week.

C. A. Burdick and W. T. Seger were in Hazelhurst on business Monday

Milton Craven of Kane was circulating among friends in town Monday.

Clarence Backer is in town on business connected with the Extract Works

Frank Fritz of Cyclone was a pleasant caller at the MINER office Tuesday.

W. H. and Ed. Hungerford drove to Dallas City last Sunday to visit friends.

Robt. W. Hilton and D. M. Cooper of Backus had business at court this week.

James Landrigan of Kushequa was renewing old acquaintances in town this week

Supervisor Patrick Gaynor of Clermont was a pleasant caller at the office Monday.

A E Harley, proprietor of the New Bay State Hotel, Bradford, was in town Wednesday.

Comrade George Ivens of Keating town ship was a pleasant caller at the office Tuesday.

J. H. Tate of Clermont was engaged in holding down a chair in the jury box this week

Attorney H E Shafer of Kane was a most agreeable caller at the MINER office Monday.

Geo Rumsey of Eldred spent a few days in town this week, a guest of his friend, T. H Chase

Mercantile Appraiser George Richards of Kasson was a pleasant caller at this office yesterday.

F P. Slocum, the hustling Bradford insurance agent, transacted business in town on Friday.

W B Smith, one of Kane's prominent merchants, had business in town the forepart of the week

Will Henry Gallup left yesterday for St. Bonaventure's College, where he has been studying for some time

Joshua Davis, M W Moffitt and N M Orr of Kane were registered at the Grand Central Hotel Tuesday

D R Cobb, one of Coudersport's prominent and enterprising young men, was a visitor in town last Friday

Chas. Pratt, who has a contract for drawing a large quantity of chemical wood at Lafayette, spent Sunday in town

Col R. R. Morrison of Mineral Point, Ohio, was here last Friday. He will be located at Hazelhurst for a season

Attorney Nelson Rose of Port Allegany had business at court this week and was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday.

Rev Father O'Brien, who was a guest at St Mary's parsonage, returned to his home at Smethport Saturday.—Olean Times.

Ex-County Auditor J O Liddell and P Hanson of Kane were most agreeable and welcome callers at the MINER office Tuesday

Mr and Mrs. Robert King and daughter, Miss Eulalia, came home from Buffalo last Saturday night after an extended visit in the Bison City.

Atty. Chas. W. Catlin of Port Allegany, who has been mentioned as a prospective candidate for district attorney, was in attendance at court this week.

Hon T. F Richmond, wife and little Paul started for Harrisburg on the noon train Monday. The MINER wishes them a pleasant sojourn in the capital

Hon Geo. A Jenks of Brookville, Democratic candidate for United States Senator from Pennsylvania, was among the prominent attorneys at court this week

Col Lucius Rogers and wife of Kane were guests at the Grand Central Sunday. The colonel was looking extremely well and what will be pleasing news to his many friends here, Mrs. Rogers is enjoying better health than she has in years.

Death of General Merrill.

General Jesse Merrill died at Lock Haven Saturday night. He had been in failing health for some months During the civil war he enlisted as a member of Company D, Seventh Pennsylvania Reserves, and was detailed for duty in the signal service corps. In 1862 he organized the signal service army of Ohio, of which he took command shortly after. He also served on the staffs of Generals Buell, Rosencrans and Thomas. In 1871 he was appointed by Governor Geary Major General of the National Guard of Pennsylvania. While serving in the latter position he had charge of the Eleventh division, which was called out to quell the Williamsport riots in 1872.

General Merrill was well known in civil life as an attorney and he had a large practice in Clinton county He was at one time postmaster at Lock Haven and during his administration that town received many benefits.—Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin

General Merrill was well and favorably known in McKean county.

Resolutions.

Brown Hive, No. 48, L. O. T. M., adopted the following resolutions at their last meeting:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His Divine wisdom to take from our midst our loved sister, Julia E. Cunningham, be it

RESOLVED, That while we bow in humble submission to the will of Divine Providence, we mourn the loss of our sister, who was an honorable member of this Hive, a faithful wife and kind and indulgent mother.

RESOLVED, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to her family in their sad affliction

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this Hive, that our charter be draped for the period of 90 days, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, the same to be published in our two local papers.

AMELIA CHURCH,
E. E. CHAMBERS,
BELLA EAGAN,
Committee.

In Memoriam.

WHEREAS, In the death of Mrs Julia Cunningham, the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union has lost a most valued member, we desire to place on record that during several years of membership, in her eager desire to co-operate with the members in their efforts to help the fallen upward, our departed sister ever manifested entire consecration of spirit as well as untiring zeal and unselfish devotion in work, therefore

RESOLVED, That while we sorrow over the passing from our midst of this kindly, helpful spirit, we rejoice in believing that she is now among the exalted number of those of whom the "Judge of the Whole Earth" has said "She hath done what she could," further

RESOLVED, That because of the sorrow that comes through the temporary separation from those whom "a cloud receives out of our sight" we extend to the bereaved husband and family our deep sympathy and our earnest prayers that they may receive divine consolation.

AMELIA F. CHURCH,
MILLIE I. BAKER,
SARAH A. SCOTT,

Woolen gloves, mittens and hose for man, woman and children at the store of D. C. Young. 2-2t

Small children's suits in pretty patterns, with waist seams, at H. Sager & Son's.

Heat wear in all colors and shapes at H. Sager & Son's.

Remember the "Yukon Girl."

JUST JOTTINGS

A ... of a wedding soon to take ... the happy event ... the lady came in because ...

One of the costly ornaments of our Borough that is wanting its beauty on an unfrequented locality is the stone crusher erected at the corner of Pine and King streets by our borough council. This should never be. Let it be moved at once to the court house lawn where it may please the eyes and gladden the hearts of our taxpayers.

If all the railroad rumors afloat are to be believed the average Smethport citizen will be kept extremely busy two years hence in dodging the cars.

"How can Smethport people expect a rush of factories and an industrial boom to strike their town," remarked an out-of-town gentleman recently, "when dwelling houses in the place are scarcer than Spaniards in heaven?" There is much food for thought in the above and it is indeed strange that prosperous people who wish a quick return for their money do not invest a portion of it in building houses to let.

"Pigs feet, five cents a foot," is the startling announcement made by an East Smethport restaurateur. With pig's feet at fifteen cents a yard no one in this vicinity has any right to go hungry.

"It seems rather queer," remarked the sick man of Smethport the other day, "that medicines that have heretofore been advertised to cure warts, sparrins, bunions, etc., are now advertised as a 'Sure Cure for Grip.' Surely the efficacy of some remedies is wonderful."

By reference to city papers it is discovered that shadowgraph parties are rapidly becoming a fad. Wonder if that was what that Main street young lady was practicing on Sunday night?

The report that Lemon, the well-known football player, had received injuries that would probably cripple him for life is claimed by good authority to be false We learn that he is nearly as well as ever and will undoubtedly be in the game next fall with both feet as well as both lungs.

It may interest many to learn that our popular poet, Charles A. Olmstead, who is sojourning in Potter county, occasionally finds inspiration in the fresh-laden atmosphere and dashes off a poem. One of his well-written creations appeared recently in a Coudersport paper.

"We are a fighter" bids fair to become as popular an expression as "Where am I at."

Although our old friend Prof. Coles does not mention the matter in his "seasons for planting" the time to plant advertisements this year is from Jan 1 to Dec. 31, inclusive. However, to get the best results they should be planted in the MINER, as early in the year as possible.

School Report.

Following is the report of the Smethport schools for the month ending Jan 10, 1899

PRIMARY

Total attendance, 51
Per cent. of attendance, boys, 89 girls, 94.
The following pupils were not absent during the month

Frank Barber	Edward Edgar
Ella ...	John Jordan
Lyle La ...	Elmer Holland
Lawrence Trimble	Bert Lyman
Pearl Morton	Geary Young
Jessie Mc ...	Elsie Anderson
Laura Gay ...	

Visitors—Mrs. Emma Gifford
MARY L. DOBBS, Teacher

SECOND AND THIRD GRADES.

Total attendance, 59.
Per cent. of attendance, boys, 84, girls 93.
The following were not absent during the month

Pearl Anderson	Edwin Gerrett
Ralph Herring	Margaret Koenig
Scott Mc ...	Ira Bennett
Ina M ...	Wilma Fred Clark
Bess Chamberlain	Ella Baker
Alma L ...	Helena Lewis
Lois Gifford	Katharine Mayo
Geary Morehouse	Russell Lindley
May Kenedy	Edna Neal
Harry L. Mann	Mona McCammon
Jessie Baker	Mary Kennedy
Laura Thorp	Mildred Jones

Visitors—Miss Dorothy Smith, Miss Mary Forsythe, Foster, Mayo, Specht and Gerrett.

Rose Allen, Teacher

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADES.

Total number in attendance 57
Per cent. of attendance, boys, 85 girls, 0
Pupils not absent during the month

Ray Colegrove	Mack Thompson
Harry Neal ...	Frank Deming
Fred Truman	Shirley Burdick
Herbert Johnson	Anna Bates
Willard Truman	Fenah Chambers
Ida Anderson	Daisy Davis
Cora Smith	Mildred Gridley
Hugh Mahon	Anna Heffron
Harry Anderson	Leona Lyman
Edith Mahon	Alice Powers
Grace Hickman	James Ryan

Visitors—Miss Linda Dickinson, Miss Mary Stokes, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Mrs. Olsen.
M. W. Hibbard, Teacher

SIXTH AND SEVENTH GRADES.

Total number 43.
Per cent. of attendance, boys, 84, girls, 91.
The following pupils were not absent during the month

Lloyd Lewis Jones	Fred Bauer
Stephen Gerrett	Wells Smith
Grace Mayo	Jessie Young
Hannah McCambridge	Harry Bauer
Harold Anderson	Cassie Townsend
Mary Mayo	Frances McGuire
Ethel Mayo	Eva Hickman
Alice Anderson	Edna Robin
Ethel Mayo	Leah Johnson
Grace Hickman	Hazel Abbey

Visitors—Miss Linda Dickinson, Miss Mary Stokes, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Mrs. Olsen.
M. W. Hibbard, Teacher

SIXTH GRADE.

Total attendance, 35.
Per cent. of attendance, boys, 91, girls, 94.
The following pupils were not absent during the month

Ethel Tutt	
Pearl Gridley	
Mary Bennett	
Bessie Frevin	
Minnie Chase	
Rose Wagner	
Mary Alsop	

Bella A. Tate, Teacher.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Total attendance, 40.
Per cent. of attendance, boys, 96, girls, 94.
The following were not absent during the month

Stephen Gay	Ida Campbell
Rose Hazel Mann	Mamie Jamison
Edward Fassett	Sarah Mayo
Victor Benson	Fred McCarthy
Chas. Metz	J. M. Mitchell
Walter Kenner	Harry Rose
Henry Mann	Ralph Kerr
Ethel Mann	Chas. Maher
Florence Rose	Harry Camp
Bessie Stone	Ora Bates
Ella Rose	Sadie McKee
Mason Mann	Amanda Mayo
Zerilda Jackson	Miss Crossen

Visitors—Miss Dorothy Smith, Miss Mary Forsythe, Foster, Mayo, Specht and Gerrett.
Mrs. Keim, Mrs. E. E. Mayo, Maude Hard, Sarah Mallee.

Those absent with a good excuse were neither absent nor tardy during the month.
Visitors—Carrie Maher.
W. P. Eckes, Principal.
Alice J. Mayo, Assistant.

La Grippe Successfully Treated.

"I have just recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr Jas. A. Jones, publisher of the Leader, Mexia, Texas. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success, only being ill a little over two days against ten days for the former attack. The second attack I am satisfied would have been equally as bad as the first but for the use of this remedy as I had to go to bed in about six hours after being stricken with it, while in the first case I was able to attend to business about two days before getting down." For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Notice, Sale.

I have 2 extra heavy sleighs, 1 set light sleighs, 1 lumber wagon, 1 horse, 1 colt, 1 set heavy harness, 1 set light harness which I will sell at a very low figure. Call at residence.

2-3t MRS. E. H. TAYLOR.

Discount of 5 per cent on all purchases of $1 00 or more by paying cash at A. B. Armstrong & Co.'s.

E. Sager & Son wish to call parties attention to their fine line of ladies' coats and suits.

Messrs. E. C. Henry & Co. are headquarters for the sale of Pittsburg stogies. Give them a trial.

Remember the "Yukon Girl."

When in need of a good smoke ask for the "Yukon Girl" and "Majestic" cigars.

Jewelry, &c., Is What We Have.

AND THE LARGEST STOCK OF

Watches, Diamonds, Solid Silver Table Ware, Silver Plated Ware, Cut Glass, Clocks, Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Charms, Toilet Ware and Silk Umbrellas

AND A MOST COMPLETE STOCK OF STERLING SILVER NOVELTIES OF ALL KINDS.

It will be of interest to everyone contemplating making purchases to call or write for what they may want.

All Goods Guaranteed at the Leading Jewelry and Optical Store of

LOOK FOR THE BIG WATCH SIGN.

C. H. ROBIE,

143 Union St. OLEAN, N. Y.

HOT SODA: All Popular Flavors,

Canned Goods,
Fresh Candy,
Fresh Bread
AT

Brasted's

CORRESPONDENCE.

LARABEE

Geo Squires has just completed a commodious building in which he intends to store ice According to indications the next requisite will be a machine for manufacturing the ice

Miss Orpha Briggs of Friendship, N Y, and Samuel Prentiss of Grants Pass, Oregon, visited at the home of Mr Prentiss' brother, W H Prentiss, during the latter part of last week

Ed Crandall of Turtle Point stopped off to visit his brother, F C Crandall while en route for Olean on Tuesday last.

Wm Brooder of Sartwell called in town Monday while on his way to the county seat to help grind out the requisite number of jurymen for the coming year

Adolph Berg is home from Port Allegany for a short vacation owing to a shut-down for repairs on the furnace at the glass factory

Mrs. D B Taylor was called to Clermont on Friday of last week by the illness of her sister Mrs. Mac Windsor

Eugene Crandall of Port Allegany was greeting his many friends in this town on Tuesday last

Miss Rhoda Prentiss is visiting at the home of her aunts, Misses Orpha and Bella Briggs of Friendship.

Edwin Hibbard of Coryville spent Sunday at the home of his father-in-law E S Carpenter

Joseph Strull is suffering from a severe attack of the grip His many friends hope for his speedy recovery

C W Taylor of Turtle Point was visiting relatives in town on Saturday last

—Mr Doud visited his niece Mrs. George Hicks on Friday last while enroute for Cuba to join his regiment

Miss Bella Otto of Eldred visited relatives in town the first of the week

PORT ALLEGANY

The little daughter of Mr and Mrs A F Schoff of Williamsport, Pa., died of pneumonia after a few hours illness on January 11 Mrs. J Shurtz, Mrs. Schoff's mother, is also very low with grip and lung trouble combined

J M Keeney has been wrestling with grip.

Tim Mullin passed through here Thursday evening en route to Coudersport

The Odd Fellows of this place drove over to Bradford Tuesday to attend the regular meeting of Tuna Lodge Over thirty went from here and they report a good time.

C A Lambert, I O Molander and Patsey Goeman are down with the grip

Some of the prominent Republicans here received invitations to attend the inaugural ceremonies of Gov Stone at Harrisburg

J L Ward attended the meeting of the McKean County Underwriters Association at Bradford Jan 12.

A M Schwartz has moved his stock of goods into his handsome new store on Main street

It is reported on good authority that C O Laymon has sold out his newspaper plant in Hardwick Vt He says it is altogether too cold up there and he is coming further south. We would welcome him back to old McKean

It is said that D G McCaig caught a live rabbit on his return from Bradford

ANNIN CREEK

F B Buckley was doing business in Eldred one day last week

A H Knapp was over from Sartwell creek Saturday

J S Hodges was in Port Allegany Friday

The taxpayers of Annin township seem to be well suited with their new iron bridge across the creek at Turtle Point

G B Tubbs attended a beekeepers' association at Franklin last week

James Wood of Rixford was in town Tuesday

Ed Davis took a load of supplies to Bradford one day last week

A surprise party was given Roy P Miller and wife last Wednesday evening in honor of their first wedding anniversary About forty people gathered at the parsonage while the minister and his family were at church, completely surprising them on their return The evening was spent very pleasantly After partaking of a very palatable supper the friends took their departure, leaving about ten dollars in money to complete their object

The Deadly Grip

Is again abroad in the land. The air you breathe may be full of its fatal germs! Don't neglect the "Grip" or you will open the door to Pneumonia and Consumption and invite death Its sure signs are chills with fever, headache, dull heavy pains, mucous discharges from the nose, sore throat and never-let-up cough. Don't waste precious time treating this cough with troches, tablets, or poor, cheap syrups. Cure it at once with Dr. King's New Discovery, the infallible remedy for bronchial troubles. It kills the disease germs, heals the lungs and prevents the dreaded after effects from the malady. Price 50 cts. and $1 00 Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at A. B Armstrong & Co.'s drug store.

A Chance to Make Money.

I have $9 000 in accounts and judgment notes which I will sell at a discount of 75 per cent. I have neither the time nor inclination to collect bills. This includes accounts up to January 1, 1899. Many of them are worth 100 cents on the dollar. A good collector can make $1000 out of it in one year.

JOHN CLARK, M. D.

To the Public.

We are authorized to guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and if not satisfactory to refund the money to the purchaser. There is no better and we come made for la grippe, colds and whooping cough. Price, 25 and 50 cent bottle. Try it A. B. Armstrong & Co.

For Sale.

A fine pair of draught horses, aged four and five years, weighing 2,850 pounds, well matched as to color and size, full brothers.

H. W. ROEDER,
Farmers Valley, Pa.

50 6-t

When you ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of piles being cured by this than all others combined. A. B Armstrong & Co.

A. B. Armstrong & Co. guarantee the American Silver Truss to give entire satisfaction or refund money.

The finest of room mouldings 80 varieties to select from Call on L. Koenig Water street.

Mutilation of Spain.

The treaty signed the die is cast,
Cold cruel Spain submits at last,
She now may know the wicked blunder—
By the voice of the cannon's thunder
Roll back the years three hundred more,
And Spanish fleet reached every shore,
Her flag unfurled near setting sun—
And victories bright her fleet had won

When Charles the Fifth held scepter strong,
The world gave praise in honored song
And onward swept her glory wide—
When Philip reigned the Spaniard's pride
The world remembers well the hour,
When Europe feared Hispania's power
The wise and great, brave warriors bold—
Found her a nation rich in gold

'Tis memory clear that holds the day
That marked the first of Spain a decay
Her mighty fleet Armada strong—
The theme for school and poet song
By English gun and furious wave
Were sent by fate to ocean grave
Jolly extreme and cruel Rio—
Defeated her in naval strife.

Three hundred years have passed away
And where is Spain in this our day
Before the power of freedom's flag
Goes down the bigot and the brag
Her fall is great her fall is just
Her crown now lies in humble dust
The hand of God in language plain
Avenges well the sunken Maine

America! How great and free
The land of light and liberty
Three hundred years what then will be
Our life and power and destiny?
Shall freedom's flag fall in the dust
Because our laws have been unjust?
Have we at heart unfaithful been
And cherished some forbidden sin?

Great God of nations hear us now
And as we make our solemn vow,
Be Thou our God and guide in all—
That we may not from honor fall
We know our sins have risen high
Rear high to the mountain peaks the sky
"Lord God" of hosts be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

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Civil Court Proceedings.

The January term of civil court convened Monday at 2 p m Hon T A Morrison presiding

The court ordered E. E Tait, receiver of the Bedell & Crouse Kindling Wood Co. to pay to former Receiver Fletcher, the sum of $636.61, the amount of the latter's disbursements, said money to be paid out of funds coming into his hands as receiver

In the case of the city of Bradford vs John Constas the opinion and order of court reversing judgment filed

The court appointed Lester H Simons guardian of Gertrude Lillian Harris, Samuel W Smith guardian of F M Strong, Charles S Vantine guardian of Ira D Vantine and W J Hogan guardian of Walter J and Leo J Flynn

Hon W F Burdick was appointed auditor in the case of W V Hogue vs Cobb & Hoskins

Thomas L Kane vs Clifton B Dufore Motion for judgment granted

In the case of Hattie E Buck vs Walter Edwin Buck a libel in divorce was granted

Ellen C Hannah et al vs Justus R. Clark in equity A motion was made to extend the receivership and a rule to show cause was granted returnable next argument court On petition of J R Clark the receivership as to the Colegrove & Lyon l

TWO SUNGS.

"Sing me a song," quoth she.
So he sang here for years and for years and a day.
He had sighed for a maid that was deaf and was blind;
Thus was blind to his love, that was deaf to the wind
Of his groaning and sighing. "Ah, sir, lack-a-day!"
Said the lady that listened as sad as could be.
"Ah, me, lackaday!" answered he.

"Sing me a song," quoth he.
So she sang here for years and for years and a day
Her head had been full of a poor lover's sighs,
For nights and for nights, with the love in his eyes.
Oh, well might she pause, for that gentleman gay
Kissed her quick on the lips, most joyous to see!
"Ah, love, thou wert blind!" answered she.
—St. Paul's.

THE C. E. CLUB.

There was an air of suppressed excitement among the members of the C. E. club which culminated in an open demonstration as the reading of the constitution was demanded. The president rapped loudly for order.

"It has been requested that the constitution be read," she said, in a clear, high soprano.

The girls settled down in their places and, amid comparative quiet, the secretary, clearing her throat, began:

"This organization shall be called The Chaney Elopement club. Absolute secrecy as to time and particulars of elopement shall be maintained even between members. Membership shall be limited to seven, and shall cease the moment a wedding ring is placed on a true lover's finger. The older the man brought into elopping the more credit shall be given the departing sister. Boys under 18 are not to be considered responsible. Trunks and ironsaurs are absolutely forbidden. Long wedding trips are also barred. The penalty for being a member longer than for two years is expulsion. Each departing member shall suggest a sister to take her place."

"You have heard the reading of the constitution," said the president, rising from her chair. "Now, what action is to be taken?"

"Madame President"—a tall girl arose with a malicious sparkle in her black eyes—"the reading of the constitution was demanded for the purpose of calling attention to the clause which made that the penalty for being a member for over two years is expulsion. We have one such member. I think it time that action was taken."

The members gasped as the audacious speaker took her seat and listened breathlessly for the president's answer. Two official raised her head defiantly and said haughtily:

"I presume that they mean me, Miss Andrews. I believe that I alone remain of the original seven."

"I do, and I move that the vice president take the chair while we consider the case."

"One moment, please." The president turned to the secretary. "Will you kindly look up the time of my membership?"

Amid dead silence the secretary reported:

"There are two months remaining, Madam President."

"I thought so." The president turned to the club, ignoring her of the black eyes. "You see," she said, "that it is impossible for the club to take any such step as the member moved for the present. I will say, however, that such action will never become necessary in my case," and a resolute look came into the blue eyes.

"Oh, Gracie!" broke from the girls in admiration, for it was an open secret that the fair president had been engaged for some two years to a dignified professor of science, a man some 20 years her senior.

"Perhaps you won't mind telling your modus operandi?" inserted Sadie Andrews sarcastically.

"Allow me to turn to call your attention to that clause of our constitution which says that absolute secrecy as to time and particulars shall be maintained even between members," said Gracie serenely, although her eyes flashed at the covert insinuation. "If there is no more business before the club," she added, "I declare the meeting adjourned."

Grace walked away. "The hateful thing!" she exclaimed, the tears filling her eyes in spite of herself. "I'll show her! He does love me! He does! He will do anything I wish. Only he does not approve of eloping, I do. I wish that he did! But I'll manage somehow, and he just must do it, whether he approves or not."

A month passed, and still no opportunity presented itself for putting into practice any of her numerous plans. Grace was almost in despair. Sadie Andrews openly laughed her to scorn as the time passed and Gracie was still Grace Dawn. Many of the girls looked dubious and smiled faintly when Sadie would triumphantly ejaculate: "I told you so!" in their presence. Grace preserved a calm bearing outwardly but is wardly raged at her helplessness.

One day a merry party of excursion was boarded a boat and went for an outing 20 miles down the river. Among those were Grace and Professor Harper. The C. E. club was out in full force, and a mighty resolve formed itself in the leaders' mind that this should be the eventful occasion.

A cave in the vicinity visited and much portions of the party broke up into groups of twos or threes and scattered over the hills into the woods. The captain of the vessel cautioned them against straying too far away, as the boat would put out promptly at 5 o'clock. As was natural, Grace and the professor sauntered off together.

"Now, where shall we go?" inquired the professor. "Have you any special views that you would like to go?"

"I thought," said the artful miss, "that we might find some specimens of the Adiantum pedatum."

"True, my dear. Let me see what the time is. We don't want to go so far that we will not be able to get back to the boat in time."

He drew out his watch, but before he could glance at it Grace had snatched it from him.

"How gloss, Herbert," she cried merrily, putting her hands behind her. "Guess the time."

Professor Harper smiled indulgently. "It must be 3 o'clock or after," he said.

"Oh, you had guessed!" And Grace laughingly handed back the watch. "It is only half past 1."

"Why, so it is!" exclaimed the professor, amused. "I was almost positive that it was after 3, but that will give us time for a long tramp."

So on they went further and further into the woods, until at last, with arms filled with fine specimens of maidenhair, they sat down on a mossy stone to analyze them.

"When you are married, Grace, I hope to find a rare pupil in you. We have only a year to wait now until your father considers you old enough," continued he. "I don't mind saying to you, little girl, that I find the waiting tedious at times."

Grace's heart throbbed rapidly.

"Then you would not mind very much if something should happen that would make us marry sooner, would you?" she asked, in a low tone.

"No, dear; I should not; not in the least. But there!" the professor sighed heavily. "Your father is quite right, quite right; and we must wait. Now, shall we analyze a few more specimens?"

They turned again to the ferns and as the time passed. Suddenly the professor started to realize that time was flying and whipped out his watch.

"Hour up and I" he cried. "We shall have time to get to the [illegible]

is 4 o'clock. We must hurry, Grace." They had not gone far before the deep whistle sounded on their ears.

"Why! We can never reach the boat in time in the world! We must run for it, Grace!"

But, despite their efforts, when they reached the shore the boat was hidden from view by a bend in the river.

"This is a predicament," said Professor Harper, as he mopped his brow. "The worst of it is that they will think we did it on purpose!" And he frowned in annoyance. "I cannot think how my watch came to be so far behind time. Do you suppose you could have inadvertently turned the hands, Grace, when you took it from me?"

Grace hung her head, but made no reply.

"Grace," he exclaimed, "I believe that you did it, and on purpose! Did you?"

Grace nodded.

"But why, child? Why should you want to be left way out here in the woods?"

"I'm going to run off with you, Herbert. So that you might as well make up your mind to it."

"Why! What does the girl mean?" gasped the professor in amazement.

"Just what I say. If you will agree to marry me right away, I know a man that lives about a mile from here who will drive us to Chaney. If you don't promise, I will not tell where he lives and you will just have to stay here all night."

Professor Harper stared at her for a moment in astonishment, and then, as her meaning burst upon him, gave vent to a roar of laughter. Grace's lip quivered.

"Oh, I surrender! I surrender!" cried the professor hastily. "I will do anything you ask, my dear. But what a very desperate character you are!"

Shamefaced, but determined, Grace led the chuckling professor to the house of a farmer, with whom arrangements were soon concluded to drive them to Chaney.

"You don't really mind, do you, Herbert?" whispered Grace as they reached the house of the minister.

"Mind? No. I wish we had done it long ago," whispered back the professor, smiling boyishly. "I haven't been on such a lark for years."

The C. E. club held a private jollification when it was known that Professor Harper and Grace Dawn had eloped, and the villagers wondered at the depravity of a man of his age.

"All the same, my dear," said the professor to his wife, "I hope that you won't always use such desperate methods to obtain your own way."

"But there wasn't anything else to do," answered Mrs. Harper.

And, laughing, he kissed her.—L. Foster Madison in Cleveland Press.

His Sincere.

There died not so very long ago a worthy French gentleman who had succeeded, by dint of importunity, in obtaining from a minister who was, politically speaking, on his last legs, as much as the cabinet to which he belonged was already tottering to its fall, a very comfortable berth. For ten years this official called punctually at the ministry in question whenever the moment arrived at which his salary was due, and, having pocketed the money, he returned quietly to his home in a fashionable part of Paris.

One day, while he was chatting with a very intimate friend, who was well versed in the idiosyncrasies and working of the different official departments, he asked confidentially his companion if he could tell him the precise spot in which the establishment of which he had been appointed a deputy custodian was situated, confessing that he had not the remotest idea of its locality. His request having been complied with, the official, nevertheless, displayed no curiosity to visit the scene of his presumed labors and, as a matter of fact, he expired without having ever beheld it.

After his death this post was abolished, so that at least one badly needed reform may be laid to the credit of the powers that be.—Paris Letter.

Artistical.

Voltaire, when on his estate of Ferney, was fond of assuming the air of nobility and displayed a most philosophical hatred of poachers. One luckless fellow was caught and brought before him. Voltaire determined to try him according to law, and took his seat as judge, directing his secretary to act as counsel for the prisoner. The advocate made a long speech in favor of the culprit and stopped suddenly.

"Why do you hesitate?" asked Voltaire.

"I wish to read a passage from a volume in your library."

He procured the book and silently turned its leaves. Voltaire became impatient and demanded the cause of his silence.

"Well," answered the secretary, "I have been looking for the word 'humanity' and I see you have omitted it."

Voltaire thought the argument so forcible that he set the poacher free.

Few Class Distinctions in Siberia.

There is not much caste or class distinction in Siberia, and the few social rules are lax. The Russian Siberians mingle freely with the native tribes, and their customs and habits have, in consequence, been considerably modified. I have often seen groups of boys playing on the street where the Kirghiz or Buriat boys were mixed indiscriminately with the Russians. From their dress or language it was impossible to distinguish them, for both costume and language were a strange mixture. Only the peculiar features of the native or the more slovenly appearance of the Russian would betray the slightest difference. It is an old saying that you "scratch a Russian and find a Tartar." It might be more appropriately said at least, of the Russian peasant—that you scrape the dirt off a Russian and find a clean Tartar, for the latter are decidedly the more cleanly.—St. Nicholas.

A False Alarm.

"Oh, John, dear," said Mrs. Nervous, "I'm so glad you've come home! I want you to go right out and have that new neighbor of ours arrested. He has been beating his wife and family all the morning, and the way they moan is too horrible for anything! It has thrown me into hysterics and a nervous headache, and—there, there! Do you hear that? Isn't it awful?"

But John, dear, looked out the window and only smiled.

"Why, what do you mean?" screamed his wife. "Are you as heartless as he? Will you, too, look on and hear a poor woman and her innocent children beaten to—"

"There, there, my dear, calm your self! It's only the pulley on the new building that's going up on the next corner. It needs a little oil." Detroit Free Press.

Carlyle Hears Dickens Read.

April 29, 1868, Carlyle wrote thus of one of Dickens' readings, says C. T. Copeland in The Atlantic: "I had to go yesterday to Dickens' reading 8 p. m. Hanover rooms, to the complete upsetting of my evening habitudes and spiritual composure. Dickens does do it capitally, such as it is; acts better than any Macready in the world; a whole tragic, comic, heroic theater visible, performing under one hat and keeping us laughing—in a sorry way, some of us thought—the whole night. He is a good creature, too, and makes £50 of £60 by each of the readings."

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For the common people's thought
Should in common speech be wrought.
And the crude but pregnant word
Should be written as it's heard.
Wise or foolish, it 'tis true,
That should be enough for you.
With man's speech is something blent
Caught from his environment—
Strong, rebellious and the schools
Only scotch it with their rules
Man may fashion a dogma
Baffling to his neighbors' eyes
But upon his tongue 'tis he
Stamped his true ideology
Therefore, critics, pray reject
Nothing writ in dialect
Which in story or in rhyme
Is a record of the time.
Vital, fresh and lit to be
Found in honest company
—Meredith Nicholson in New York Sun

OLD DUELING RULES.

"MUCH USEFUL ADVICE" FROM AN ANCIENT BOOK.

If the Combatant Dies as a Result of the Encounter, He Is Told to Go Off With as Good Grace as Possible. Irishmen Not Good Seconds.

To Englishmen dueling is happily a lost art, but three-quarters of a century ago dueling was sufficiently in vogue to induce an anonymous writer to publish a book "containing much useful information," ironically dedicated to Daniel O'Connell, Esq., M. P., and James Silk Buckingham, Esq., M. P., as "entertaining the opinion first promulgated by the immortal Falstaff of happy memory that discretion is the better part of valor."

The author advises "all my countrymen who go abroad to use the pistol instead of the sword when they have the choice of the weapon, as the balance of killed and wounded is now much in favor of the French, who, upon the termination of the late war, amused themselves by occasionally spitting some half dozen of our traveling young fashionables before breakfast." He recommends "Purdey, in Oxford street, as the maker of the best dueling pistol locks," care in the selection of a stock which fits the hand comfortably and to eschew "saw handles." Barrels should be ten inches long and half rifled, which, considering that throughout his volume he poses as a man of the strictest honor, is puzzling, for he admits that a wholly rifled pistol is considered an unfair weapon, therefore one not appearing to be rifled should be substituted.

On "the chances" he writes: "Many a poor, long armed, straggling fellow has received the coup di (sic) coeur (or fatal stroke) who might still have been in existence had he known how to protect his person in the field," the necessary protection consisting in standing sideways and drawing in the stomach. "Should the party be hit"—presumably because he could not draw in his stomach—"he must not feel alarmed." This seems difficult, as a man with a bullet in his stomach can hardly be expected not to display some little natural anxiety, for, as is admitted later, "a shot in the digestive organs must be particularly annoying to a bon vivant." To aldermen his advice is "the old method of fighting—the back to the adversary and discharging over the shoulder."

"The chances of a man's being killed are about 14 to 1, and of his being hit about 6 to 1." He arrives at this conclusion by dividing a man's body, when opposed to his adversary, into nine parts. Therefore he says, "As in only three of these a wound would prove mortal, the chances are 3 to 1 against his being killed, and 5 to 1 against his being hit—that is, however," he hastens to add, "provided his antagonist has never read my work. If he has, the case may be different."

The combatant is told "not to allow the idea of becoming a target to make him uneasy, but to treat the matter jocosely." He is to laugh away the evening over a bottle of port, and play a rubber of whist, but he must avoid drinking to excess, or taking "any food that tends to create bile," because "bilious objects are not seen either distinctly or correctly." This would rather be a valid reason for getting as bilious as possible. A man with an attack of jaundice should be invisible, and able to blaze at his antagonist in perfect safety. If he cannot sleep on retiring to rest, he is to read Byron's "Childe Harold." His servant is to call him at 5 and give him a strong cup of coffee. Then he is to smoke a cigar, and "on his way to the scene of action" he is to take brandy and soda, as a most "grateful stimulant and corrective."

No wonder our author recommends him at this point to draw in his stomach. "If he dies he is to go off with as good grace as possible!" On the other hand, if he hits his antagonist, he is to take off his hat to him and express regret.

A challenge is not to be in rhyme, such as "a certain poetical brandy loving major general of marines" wrote to a brother officer who ran off with his wife.

Wounds on the flesh a surgeon's skill may heal,
But wounded honor's only cured with steel

An Irishman is not to be chosen as second, for nine out of ten have such an innate love of fighting they cannot bring an affair to an amicable adjustment, and the first duty of a second is to prevent the affair coming to a serious issue. Other advice is for the second to take care his principal is not inconvenienced by the sun, and to get his antagonist with something dark behind him, when it will be much more easy to hit him.

As may be inferred, the author holds by dueling, for "the man who fails in a duel and the individual who is killed by the overturn of a stagecoach are both unfortunate victims to a practice from which we derive great advantages. It would be absurd to prohibit stage traveling because occasionally a few lives are lost by an overturn, and unless men endeavored to destroy each other they might live to a patriarchal age and multiply so rapidly that the soil would soon be insufficient to supply them with nourishment," with which reductio ad absurdum the volume may well be put back on the shelf.—Navy and Army Illustrated.

Similarity.

While Frederic Remington was in the west he observed a well executed portrait in a dark room on the wall of a cabin and asked whose picture it was.

"That's my husband," said the woman of the house carelessly.

"But it is hung with fatal effect," urged the artist.

"So was my husband," snapped the woman.

Spain's Sunken Ships Floated.

Perhaps the greatest mechanical feat of the century has been the raising of some of the Spanish warships which were apparently set to pieces at Santiago. It seemed utterly impossible to float them because of the terrible damage inflicted by our guns, but the task has been accomplished. Disease of the blood, stomach and liver frequently wreck the healthy as thoroughly as there is no chance of recovery. But when Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is taken, the disordered system is speedily restored to its old-time vigor and tone. The Bitters will regulate the liver, bowels and digestive fluids as and purify the blood. You can have this remedy in any drug store, and under no circumstances should you accept anything said to be "just as good."

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SURPRISED HER HUSBAND.

Why the Young Wife Spent an Afternoon in His Office.

Young Mrs. Smith, who lives down on Prairie avenue, is very fond of her husband and also very jealous of him. Mr. Smith knows this and enjoys it immensely. Before the Smiths were married he used to know a Minneapolis girl who visited his sister in Chicago. Mrs. Smith knew her very well too. The Minneapolis girl came down not long ago, and Mrs. Smith called on her. A few days before the Minneapolis girl went back she called on Mrs. Smith, and they had an enjoyable quarter of an hour thinking things about each another and talking about Mansfield.

When the Minneapolis girl rose to go, she said sweetly, "Oh, by the way, I want to see Charlie before I go back, and I think I may just drop into his office this afternoon."

"Oh, do; Charlie will be delighted," returned Mrs. Smith. The door had hardly closed on the guest before Mrs. Smith executed a sort of war dance. She dressed as fast as she could, put on her bonnet and announced her intention of going down to Mr. Smith's office. Her grandmother remonstrated in vain. Mrs. Smith is only 18, and she is jealous.

"I thought I'd spend the afternoon with you," she announced to the astonished Charlie as she swept into the office.

"But, my dear"— he began, when Mrs. Smith ensconced herself at the side of his desk and intimated that the most violent arguments would not move her. She sat there all the afternoon. The Minneapolis girl enjoyed herself shopping, and forgot to call in to tell Charlie goodby. Mrs. Smith broke down and confessed as soon as she got home, and her foolish young husband told her to go down next day and buy herself the prettiest hat she could find.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

JOHN HAY'S BIG APRON.

One of the Cases Where Dishwashing Produced a Poet.

Colonel Hay was when a boy a regular attendant of the Presbyterian Sunday school at Warsaw, Ills.

The Sunday school lessons partly consisted of committing to memory Bible verses, and to attain supremacy in this created quite a rivalry among the scholars. John Hay was sure to come out ahead from two to five answers, sometimes more, causing those of his comrades who were always behind him to regard him with envy.

Consequently when some of those boys heard that John had to wash dishes and do the churning for his mother and more than all, that he wore an apron while at these duties his jealous comrades fairly crowed.

One morning it was agreed by his comrades to get him out of doors while he had his apron on and humiliate him by having two or three girls whom he rather liked ask him questions in regard to his housework.

Young Hay came out to where the boys were and answered the questions by saying that he washed dishes as his mother taught him, and then, with twinkling eyes, he gave the dialogan which he had with him a tremendous fling, contents and all, drenching whoever happened to be near enough, and, laughing loudly, ran into the kitchen. Hay and his big apron were never molested after that.—Christian Endeavor World.

A Kissing Nation.

In no other part of the world is kissing so much in vogue as in Russia. From time immemorial it has been the national salute. Indeed it is more of a greeting than a caress.

In public affairs, as in private, the kiss is an established custom. Fathers and sons kiss, old generals with nasty mustaches kiss, whole regiments kiss. The emperor kisses his officers. On a reviewing day there are almost as many kisses as shots exchanged. If a Hungarian corps of cadets have earned the imperial approval, the imperial salute is bestowed upon the head boy, who pokes it on with a hearty report to his neighbor, he in his turn to the next, and so on, through the whole juvenile body.

On a holiday or fete day the young and delicate mistress of a house will not only kiss all her maidservants, but all her menservants, too, and if the gentleman does not venture above her hand she will stoop and kiss his cheek.

To judge also from the manner of salutes the matrimonial bond in these high circles must be one of uninterrupted felicity. A gentleman scarcely enters or leaves the room without kissing his wife either on her forehead, cheek or hand.

Heroes of the Pen.

The intensity of application with which the mind follows whatever it lays hold of in literary pursuits is exemplified in the case of Robert Ainsworth, a celebrated writer and antiquarian of the seventeenth century. He had been for years engaged in a voluminous Latin dictionary, and while fascinated with this heroic work gave so little time and attention to his wife that he incurred her bitterest jealousy, and before the work was quite complete she committed the whole to the flames. Instead of abandoning himself to despair, Ainsworth set to work and rewrote it, accomplishing the entire work in time. The same bitter disappointment was endured with similar heroism by Carlyle when the manuscript of his "Frederick the Great" was destroyed by fire.

A Fine Phrasing.

There are some classes of people, says The Cornhill Magazine, who seem to think that when they speak to persons they must use certain peculiar phrases wholly strange to them under ordinary circumstances, as, for instance, the famous reply of the laborer to the minister's words of praise concerning a fine fat pig which he saw in his sty, grunting with satisfaction and repletion, "Oh, sir, if only we was all as fit to die as my old sow be!"

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A SONG OF SORCERY.

The lights are shrinking into night,
And laughter lured in every spot
What time the jonquil's gay perfume
Is every passing breeze diffused.

The wild plum's blossomed in the glen,
The rabbit runs across the plain,
And frightened birds flit startled when
Our hounds and horses trample the grain.

Down in the grove beside the spring
We rested when the day was warm
And listened to the wood bird sing
A lullaby when day was done.

But, oh, you wandered from my side
And roved the fields of other years
With memory stored and fond devotion
For some to soothe with memory tears.

And now you come—come back to me
To-night, as then, the old time places
Where in the magic of your love
What change has come upon your face?

Oh, friend, to live and still love on
To live on chaff instead of grain
Is better than to feel love gone—
Forgetting in the keenest pain.
—Atlanta Constitution.

CHARLES STEWART PARNELL

How the Great Irish Leader Came to Enter Politics.

Charles Stewart Parnell was 28 years old before he made his entry into the political arena. How the step was taken is thus described by Mr. R. Barry O'Brien in his biography of the great Irish leader:

"One night during the general election of 1874 Parnell dined with his sister, Mrs. Dickinson, in Dublin. After dinner Captain Dickinson said: 'Well, Charles, why don't you go into parliament? Why don't you stand for your native county?'

"To the surprise of every one at the table Parnell said quickly: 'I will. Whom ought I to see?'

"'Oh,' said Dickinson, 'we will see about that tomorrow. The great thing is you have decided to stand.'

"'I will see about it at once,' said Parnell. 'I have made up my mind, and I won't wait. Whom ought I to see?'

"'I think Gray of The Freeman's Journal,' said John, who was also present.

"'Very well,' said Parnell, rising from the table, 'I shall go to him at once. Do you come with me, John.'

"The two brothers then went away together. It was now 11 o'clock, and they found Gray at The Freeman's office. He was amazed when Parnell entered and said, 'I have come to say, Mr. Gray, that I mean to stand for Wicklow as a Home Ruler.'

It was only the year after that, on the death of John Mitchel, Parnell was returned for Meath. At first it is plain that Parnell had few if any followers. The ability of the representative from Meath was questioned. Butt was then the controlling power. It was only in 1880 that Parnell became the leader.

Making It Clear.

Somebody has discovered that a Bermuda onion eaten raw will clear the head. A Bermuda onion eaten raw will do more than that. It will clear an entire room. An active Bermuda onion is a complete clearing house all by itself. Take one Bermuda onion—only one—and let the lips of beauty close upon it, and love will turn to hatred and honey to gall and bitterness.

Clear the head? Why, a Bermuda onion in fairly good health will clear the heart of navigation.—Exchange.

Work of Helpmates.

I was driving through one of the best farming districts in western Ontario a few years ago. I expressed my admiration.

"Yes," said my companion, who knew the country thoroughly, "nearly all the farmers around here have second wives."

"Why?" was my surprised inquiry.

"Oh," he answered, "they killed their first wives making the farm!"—Paris Exposition.

The Germans have introduced what amounts to slave labor in their east African colonies. Each native village must furnish a certain number of inhabitants to labor for the imperial government, on plantations or elsewhere, without pay.

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An Incident of the Memorable Retreat From Moscow.

It was on Nov. 25, at about 7 o'clock in the morning, when we saw the head of the column. The first we saw were generals, a few of whom were on horseback, but the majority on foot. The latter painfully dragged themselves along, almost all having their feet frozen and bound up in rags and pieces of sheepskin and dying of hunger. We then saw what was left of the cavalry of the guard. The emperor came next, on foot, with a stick in his hand. He was muffled up in a large capote lined with fur and wore on his head an amaranthine velvet cap edged with black fox skin. On his right marched, although foot, King Murat; on his left, Prince Eugene, viceroy of Italy; then Marshals Berthier, prince of Neufchatel; Ney, Mortier, Lefebvre and other marshals and generals, whose corps had been partly destroyed.

They were followed by 700 to 600 officers and subofficers, marching in order and bearing in the greatest silence the eagles of the regiments to which they had belonged and that had so often led them to victory. They were the remnant of over 60,000 men. My poor Picart, who had put even the army for a month, gazed in silently, but his convulsive movements showed only too well what he felt. I saw big tears roll down the cheeks and fall on his moustache, from which icicles were hanging. Then, turning to me, "Really, comparter, I do not know whether I am asleep or awake; I weep because I have seen our emperor marching on foot, a stick in his hand, he that was so great and who made us so proud!"—Memoires of Sergent Bourgogne.

A Double Headed Gull.

On the occasion of a public reception at Napier, Australia, the school children of the town, after being duly complimented by his excellency from County Tyrone on the hearty manner in which they had rendered the national anthem, were solemnly assured that if they put their shoulders to the wheel they would be sure to reach the top of the tree! Upon which a competitor turned to me and said, "Sure, it was an axletree he meant, bedad."—Spectator.

Scandalous.

Mrs. Witchery—They say Mrs. Dirk son has recently become very economical.

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